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24 GET 100 PERCENTILE IN JEE-MAIN, RAJASTHAN HAS MOST TOPPERS

Twenty-four candidates scored a perfect 100 in JEE (Main), results of which were announced by the National Testing Agency on Saturday

T'GANA, U.P., MAHARASHTRA DO WELL TOO

Rajasthan, India's coaching hub, had the highest number of candidates with a perfect score with as many as seven scoring 100 percentile. Next in line, three toppers each are from Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, followed by two toppers each from Delhi, West Bengal and Gujarat. One topper each is from Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh, as per NTA

21 TOP CANDIDATES FROM GENERAL LIST

- While 21 top-scoring candidates are from general category, the list includes one candidate each from SC, ST and OBC categories
- The examination was held in April across nine shifts at 531 centres in 300 cities, including 15 outside India. Results of 110 candidates found using unfair means, including forged documents, were withheld

9,92,350

APPEARED IN THE SECOND EDITION OF JEE MAIN EXAM 2025

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B'lurean gets 100 percentile in JEE Main

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

KUSHAGRA Gupta from Bengaluru has emerged as JEE Main 2025 topper, scoring 100 percentile in Session-2 of the national-level engineering entrance exam. He is a student of Narayana Co-Kaveri Bhavan College in Kasavanahalli, Bengaluru.

The National Testing Agency (NTA) announced the results of JEE (Main) 2025, Paper 1 (BE/BTech) for Session-2 late on April 18. Kushagra is the only student from Karnataka to have secured the highest possible score in the exam, which is the gateway to premier technical institutions like IITs and NITs.

Earlier too, in session 1, paper 1, held in January, Kushagra had scored a 100 percentile. He is one of the 24 students from across the county to have secured a 100 percentile. Of the total 24 candidates, Rajasthan had the highest number of four students, Maharashtra three, Telangana and UP two each. NTA conducted the exam from April 2 to 8. Out of 10,61,840 registered candidates, 9,92,350 appeared for the exam.

Putin springs a short Easter truce surprise

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

AMID growing frustration in Washington over stalled peace efforts, Russian President Vladimir Putin announced a surprise Easter truce in the conflict in Ukraine.

The truce will pause "all hostilities" from 6 pm Moscow time on Saturday (11 am Eastern Time) until midnight on Monday (5 pm ET Sunday).

The announcement came on the same day as Russia, Ukraine swapped hundreds of prisoners in the war's largest exchange. Russia said 246 Russian service members were returned from territory controlled by Kyiv, and that 'as a gesture of goodwill' 31 wounded Ukrainian prisoners of war were transferred in exchange for 15 wounded Russian soldiers.

Putin said he expects Ukraine to reciprocate: "We assume that the Ukrainian side will follow our example."

Our troops must be ready to repel violations of the truce and any provocations

—Vladimir Putin

Ukraine has been wary of short-term truces, having previously rejected a January 2023 ceasefire. Zelenskyy wrote on X that the truce plan came as air raid alerts were announced in Ukraine due to drone attacks.

The ceasefire announcement follows fresh Russian claims of territorial gains, including the capture of another settlement near the Kursk border region. President Putin suggested the truce would serve as a test of Ukraine's sincerity about wanting peace. US Secretary of State Marco Rubio had signalled growing impatience with the peace process.

On Friday, he warned that the United States is prepared to "move on" from its role in brokering peace talks unless there are tangible signs of progress in the coming days. "We can't keep chasing a breakthrough that isn't coming," he said.

First in-person trade talks with the US from April 23

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

AIMING to quickly wrap up the first phase of the Bilateral Trade Agreement (BTA) with the US before the September-October deadline, India is sending a small delegation of five-six negotiators to the US on April 23. The delegation is likely to stay there for three days, commerce ministry sources told this newspaper.

TARIFF TRACKER

US vice-president J D Vance is due to arrive in India on Monday, April 21. The Indian delegation's visit a couple of days later indicates the mutual urge to expedite the talks.

Earlier, the ministry had indicated that physical negotiations will begin only in the first week of May. "While virtual negotiations have started, we thought we will send a small delegation to the US to carry forward the discussions," a commerce ministry official told this newspaper.

India's chief negotiator — additional secretary in the Department of Commerce Rajesh Agrawal — will lead the team for the first in-person talks. He was appointed the next commerce secretary on April 18. He will assume office on October 1.

Though some reports suggest both sides have agreed to have the discussions covering 19 chapters, including tariffs, non-tariff barriers, and customs facilitation, the ministry official quoted earlier denied chapter-wise discussions would be held during the visit of the delegation. He said chapter-wise discussion would begin in the second half of May. "The texts and contours of those discussions are being prepared currently," the official said.

"The September-October timeline is a deadline, not a target. If negotiations can be concluded earlier, it will benefit both," said a commerce ministry official.

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India condemns Hindu leader's murder in B'desh

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

IN a sharp escalation of tensions over attacks on Hindu minorities in Bangladesh, India on Saturday condemned the brutal killing of community leader Bhabesh Chandra Roy as part of a "systematic persecution" and firmly urged Dhaka to protect its minorities without offering excuses or justifications.

Bhabesh C Roy

Bhabesh Chandra Roy, 58, a prominent Hindu leader and vice-president of the Biral unit of the Bangladesh Puja Udjapan Parishad, was murdered in Dinajpur, Bangladesh. Local media reports said Roy was abducted from home by four men on motorcycles half-an-hour after he received a suspicious call around 4.30 pm. They took him to Narabari village, where he was savagely assaulted.

The attackers later dumped the unconscious Roy at his home in a van. He was taken to hospital, where he was declared dead. "We have noted with distress the abduction and brutal killing of Shri Bhabesh Chandra Roy, a Hindu minority leader in Bangladesh," External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said. "This killing follows a pattern of systematic persecution of Hindu minorities under the interim government, even as the perpetrators of previous such events roam with impunity."

Muthappa Rai's son injured after man opens fire

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

RICKY Rai, son of former underworld don-turned-social activist late Muthappa Rai, survived a murder attempt in the early hours of Saturday after an unidentified assailant opened fire at his SUV outside his sprawling bungalow in Bidadi in Ramanagara district, near here.

The police have booked four persons, including Muthappa Rai's second wife Anuradha.

The shooting occurred around 12.50 am. Ricky, his driver Basavaraju and gunman Rajpal were heading to Bengaluru in a black SUV.

When the vehicle came out of the compound, the miscreant who was hiding behind the compound wall of another private property allegedly opened fire at the front door. Both Ricky and Basavaraju sustained injuries.

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Ricky Rai

EXPRESS READ

Protests across state against janivara row

Bengaluru: A storm of protest has engulfed Karnataka following reports that students were allegedly forced to remove their Janivara before entering CET examination halls in Bidar and Shivamogga, triggering a fierce backlash from religious groups, political leaders, and civil society alike. P6

No CET for students with IIT, NEET seats

BENGALURU: The KEA announced that students under Karnataka domicile who have 'secured' seats in colleges across India through NEET or 'gained admissions' into premier tech institutes like IITs via JEE, will no longer be allowed to participate in the state's CET counselling. P4

Bengal governor meets riot victims

KOLKATA: Amidst patrolling by central and police forces in riot-hit parts of Murshidabad district, West Bengal Governor CV Ananda Bose and National Human Rights Commission and National Commission for Women teams on Saturday visited the affected areas and interacted with the victims, assuring them of all help. P10

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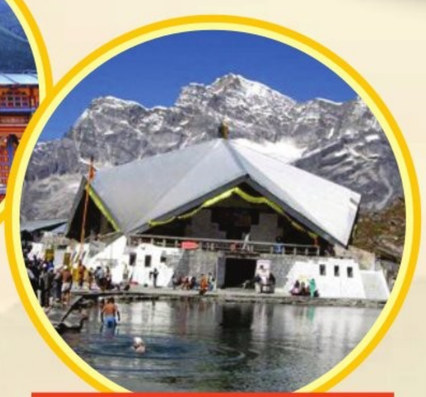

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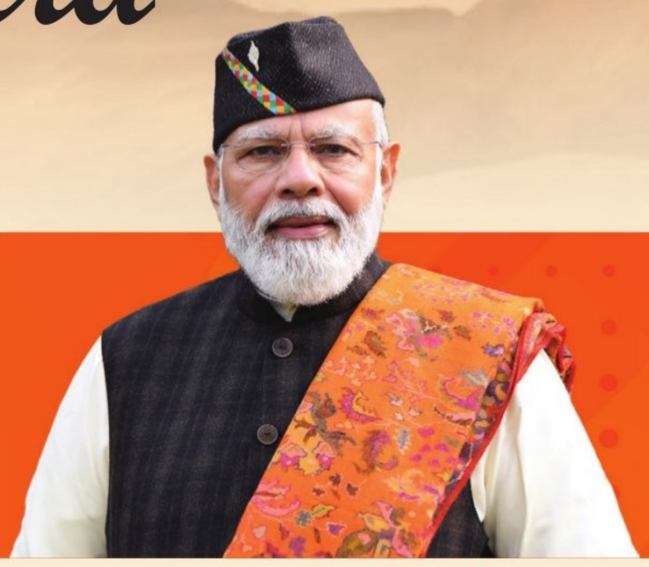

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OFFICE OF THE PROJECT CO ORDINATOR
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Karnataka Public Procurement Portal

Two cover E- tender has been called to supply **Group-A, B,C,D & OTHERS items** to the Pre matric, Post matric Hostels & Valmiki Ashrama Schools of Tribal Welfare Department of Mysore District, during the year 2025-26. **1)** Tender No.: DTWO/2023-24/IND0002 Date: 19.04.2025 **2)** Pre Bid meeting: 28.04.2025 @ 3.00 PM. **3)** Last Date for bid submission: 18.05.2025 @ 05.00PM **4)** Technical Bid Opening : 20.05.2025 @ 10.30AM. **5)** Total Tender Cost: Rs.13.00 Crore. **6)** E.M.D.: Rs.19.50 Lakhs. All the Documents should be submitted through online in E-Procurement portal only. D.C., Mysore retain the power of accepting or rejecting tender without giving any reasons.. For more information Contact office telephone No: 0821-2427140 / 9449894981

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3	Vignana Nagar	24, Malleshpalaya Main Road, New Thippasandra Post, Vignana Nagar, Bengaluru 560075	1500-2000 Sq ft
4	R T Nagar Branch	402, 3rd Main Road, II Block, R. T. Nagar, Bengaluru-560032	1500-2000 Sq ft
5	Arasinagunte-Binnamangala	Site No.135/245-247 & 135/37, B H Road, Binnamangala, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural, Karnataka, Pin - 562 123	1200-1500 Sq ft
6	Sampige Road	#483, Swetha Mansion, 1st Floor,5th Cross, Malleswaram Circle, Bangalore – 560003	1500-2000 Sq ft
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8	Sahakar Nagar	#553, Ground Floor, F Block, Sahakarnagar, Bengaluru-560092	1500-2000 Sq ft
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POSSESSION NOTICE
(For Immovable Property)

Whereas,

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Bank of India** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **29/01/2025** calling upon the **Borrower: Mr. Gulam Mustafa, L66, 3rd Main Road, 15th Cross, 6th Sector, HSR Layout, Bengaluru - 560102 and Guarantor: Mr. Jawid Hussain, #1-1, 4th Cross, Link Road, HSR Layout, Near Madiwala New Extension, Bangalore South, Bommanahalli, Bangalore - 560068 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 2,09,87,930.64 (Rupees Two Crores Nine Lakhs Eighty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty and Sixty Four Paise only)** as on 30/12/2024 along with further interest, costs, charges, etc. within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount; notice is hereby given to the borrower/guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the 17th day of April 2025.

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Bank of India** for an amount **Rs. 2,09,87,930.64** and future interest, legal charges, recovery charges, incidental expenses etc. thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

EQM of residential apartment units constructed on Schedule A Property: All that piece and parcel of the converted lands bearing Sy no 30/18 measuring 0-03 guntas, Sy no 30/39 measuring 0-05.4 guntas, Sy no 30/41 measuring 0-05 guntas, Sy no 22/2 measuring 1 Acre 29 guntas, Sy no 20/2 measuring 02 Acre 02 guntas, Sy no 25/3 measuring 0-07.04 guntas, Sy no 18/1A measuring 0-10.12 guntas ,Sy no 17/2 measuring 1 Acre 24 guntas, Sy no 18/3 measuring 0-29.12 guntas, Sy no. 20/3 measuring 3 Acre 12 guntas, Sy no 24/2 measuring 0-22 guntas, Sy no 24/4 measuring 1 Acre 08 guntas, Sy no. 24/3 measuring 0-20 guntas, Sy no-16/1 measuring 1 Acre 04 guntas,Sy no 21/3 measuring 1 Acre 24 guntas, Sy no 16/3 measuring 0-09 guntas, Sy no 16/4 measuring 0-01 guntas, Sy no 16/5 measuring 0-01 guntas, Sy no 16/6 measuring 0-01 guntas, Sy no 15/4 measuring 0-15 guntas, Sy no 15/7 measuring 0-06 guntas, Sy no 15/9 measuring 0-01.8 guntas, Sy no 18/2 measuring 0-32 guntas, **All situated at Thirupalya Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District Item no I:** A 3 bedroom residential Apartment unit bearing no AG122 on the ground floor of Block/wings "11(L)" in the project "E City Town phase II" constructed on the Schedule A property and 1500 sq. ft. of super built-up area and proportionate share of Undivided share, right, title interest and ownership of 445 Sq.Ft land share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use along with one covered parking situated at Thirupalya village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk Bangalore and **bounded as under: East by:** Open Space **West by:** Staircase **North by:** Corridor **South by:** Road **Item no II:** A 3 bedroom residential Apartment unit bearing no A4114 on the Fourth floor of Block 10 in the project "E City Town phase II" constructed on the Schedule A property and 1500 sq. ft. of super built- up area and proportionate share of Undivided share, right, title interest and ownership of 445 Sq.Ft land share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use along with one covered parking situated at Thirupalya village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk Bangalore and **bounded as under: East by:** Landscape and Open Space **West by:** Corridor **North by:** Lift **South by:** Corridor **Item no III:** A 3 bedroom residential Apartment unit bearing no A4102 on the Fourth floor of Block/Wings '10' in the project "E City Town phase II" constructed on the Schedule A property and 1500 sq. ft. of super built-up area and proportionate share of Undivided share, right, title interest and ownership of 445 Sq.Ft land share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use along with one covered parking situated at Thirupalya village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk Bangalore and **bounded as under: East by:** Landscape and Open Space **West by:** Corridor **North by:** Lift **South by:** Corridor **Item no IV:** A 3 bedroom residential Apartment unit bearing no AG115 on the Ground floor of Block 10 in the project "E City Town phase II" constructed on the Schedule A property and 1500 sq. ft. of super built- up area and proportionate share of Undivided share, right, title interest and ownership of 445 Sq.Ft land share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use along with one covered parking situated at Thirupalya village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk Bangalore and **bounded as under: East by:** Landscape and Open Space **West by:** Corridor **North by:** Lift **South by:** Corridor **Item no V:** A 3 bedroom residential Apartment unit bearing no AG116 on the Ground floor of Block 10 in the project "E City Town phase II" constructed on the Schedule A property and 1500 sq. ft. of super built- up area and proportionate share of Undivided share, right, title interest and ownership of 445 Sq.Ft land share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use along with one covered parking situated at Thirupalya village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk Bangalore and **bounded as under: East by:** Landscape and Open Space **West by:** Corridor **North by:** Lift **South by:** Corridor **Item no VI:** A 3 bedroom residential Apartment unit bearing no AG68 on the Ground floor of Block 6 in the project "E City Town phase II" constructed on the Schedule A property and 1360 sq. ft. of super built- up area and proportionate share of Undivided share, right, title interest and ownership of 415 Sq.Ft land share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use along with one covered parking situated at Thirupalya village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk Bangalore and **bounded as under: East by:** Corridor **West by:** Open Space **North by:** Flat no AG67 **South by:** Flat no AG69

Date : 17/04/2025 **Sd/-, Authorized Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **(Bank Of India)**

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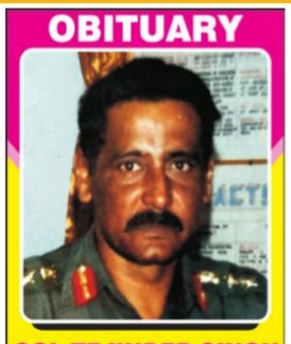

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Execution Case No.: EA/8/2024

Gobinda Saha
-V/s-
Director, Madhu Chemicals and Others
(Application U/S 71 r/w with Section 72 of the C. P. Act, 2019)

NOTICE TO:

1. Madhu Chemicals Represented by:- Director Address: Vaddarahalli Village, Slur Hobli, Magadi Taluka, Ramanagara, Karnataka - 562127.
2. Madhu Chemicals Represented by: - General Manager Address: Vaddarahalli Village, Slur Hobli, Magadi Taluka, Ramanagara, Karnataka - 562127.

Whereas it has been proved to the satisfaction of the Commission that the Opposite Parties/JDRs above named cannot be served in the ordinary way of service. Hence, this proclamation under order V Rule 20 CPC is hereby issued againstthem and should appear personally or through their counsel on **20.05.2025 at 10:30 am.**

Take notice that, in default of their appearance on the day before mentioned, the above said case will be heard and determined in yours absence and determined ex-parte.

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Two women teachers from a village in Chikkamagaluru district spend from their own pockets to solve drinking water crisis in their school and boost enrollment

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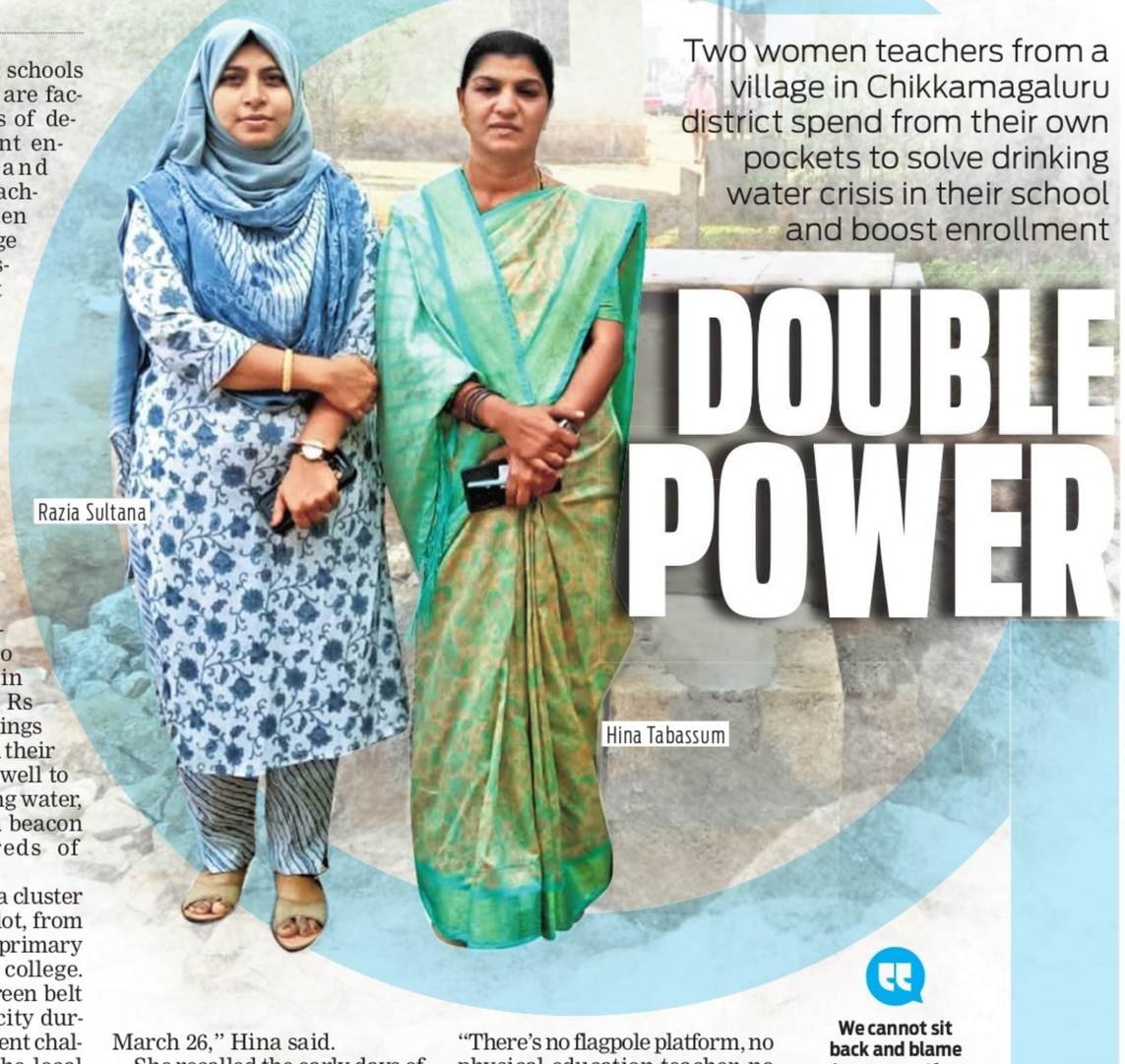

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AT a time when schools in Karnataka are facing challenges of declining student enrollments and shortage of teachers, two women from this village in Chikkamagaluru district are going against all odds to transform a government school.

Meet Hina Tabassum and Razia Sultana, the teachers who are at the heart of this transformation and have gone far beyond their official responsibilities to let the school in Machagondanahalli village function.

From creating awareness among parents to enroll their children in the school to spending Rs 2.5 lakh from their savings and contributions from their families to drill a borewell to ensure kids get drinking water, the two teachers are a beacon of hope for hundreds of students.

The school is part of a cluster situated on a 12-acre plot, from Anganwadi and lower primary to high school and PU college. Despite being in the green belt of Malnad, water scarcity during summer is a persistent challenge in the village. The local gram panchayat supplies water to 300 households and to the school, but this is done on a rotational basis. Often, the school receives water once every three days, and only after household demands are met. This limited supply caused immense hardship. "We saw students suffering because of lack of drinking water. The earlier borewells had dried up, and the school was struggling," says Hina, who has been teaching at the school for the past 25 years.

Moved by the situation and inspired by the spirit of Ramzan, both Hina and Razia decided to act. "Ramzan is about giving. When I shared the idea with my family, they encouraged me to go ahead. We pooled funds and drilled a new borewell. Luckily, it succeeded on the third attempt — on March 26," Hina said.

She recalled the early days of her career when the school had only a handful of students. "I would go door to door, urging parents to send their children to school. Some were reluctant, but persistence helped. Today, we have 250 students studying from LKG to Class 7 in both Kannada and English medium," she says with a sense of pride.

Razia echoes Hina's sentiment. "We cannot sit back and blame the system. If we don't step up for our students, who will? We are here not just to teach, but to care. My family understood that and backed me fully," she adds.

Recently, the school received a boost with a new four-room building constructed under the Viveka Yojana at a cost of Rs 53 lakh, which was inaugurated by Mudigere MLA Nayana Motamma. But other challenges remain. "There's no flagpole platform, no physical education teacher, no prayer hall or kitchen. During monsoon, students eat their midday meals in the open. It is heartbreaking," says headmistress Savita. She added that Rs 25 lakh has been sanctioned under the MPLAD scheme to build toilets for girls, but the construction is yet to begin.

The local School Development and Monitoring Committee (SDMC) has been supportive of the teachers' efforts. President Lokesh and member Annappa praised Hina and Razia for their initiative. "They have set an example for others. However, more needs to be done. Saplings we planted along the school boundary were stolen. We need a compound wall to protect the school," Lokesh says.

Sarva Dharma Sangh president K Bharath noticed the teachers' selfless act. Touched by their dedication, he visited the school and honoured them. "What Hina and Razia have done is exemplary. If more teachers in government schools show this kind of ownership, there's no doubt that government institutions can outshine private ones," Bharath says.

When there is cynicism about government schools, the story of Hina Tabassum and Razia Sultana is a powerful reminder that individual action, grounded in compassion and purpose, can change the trajectory of an entire community.

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Students and teachers in this Chikkamagaluru school are all smiles as the new borewell starts pumping water

Nurturing 'Naada Bashe'

Originally a Malayalee, Sushma Shankar, has taught Kannada to many across age groups, in an effort to spread the joy and knowledge of the state language

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LANGUAGE is a bridge between cultures, a mirror reflecting collective history. Karnataka is a diverse, cosmopolitan melting pot of different peoples, with equally different backgrounds, awareness and stories to tell, and Kannada helps carry these colourful tales from the state to places far and wide.

As a torchbearer of Kannada knowledge and preservation in her own unique way, Sushma Shankar has come a long way. For 17 years, she has been transforming lives through her free Kannada classes. What began as a small summer camp has grown into a full-fledged movement for linguistic empowerment, with Sushma aiming to make Kannada accessible and enjoyable for all.

"The reason I started taking Kannada classes is because I saw that even some Kannadigas didn't know how to read and write Kannada, though it was their mother tongue. Especially in Bengaluru, people often prefer speaking English over Kannada," Sushma recalls.

What sets Sushma's classes apart are their inclusive, grassroots approach. Initially, her Kannada teaching efforts were focused on schoolchildren through camps held every May. These camps, completely free, ran for 30 days, and were designed to build foundational literacy and love for the language. But as the word spread, demand grew even among adults.

"Many came to learn at their convenience, and we made changes accordingly," she explains. "Early morning sessions, weekend classes — we did everything possible to ensure no one was denied learning." Initially, each camp had 300-400 students.

For the past 17 years, Sushma Shankar has been teaching Kannada to both the young and old | EXPRESS

Building language bridges

This flexible, community-driven model soon gained traction. Sushma's team started approaching local schools to teach students the state language, and many enrolled. Before long, the team was teaching thousands, young and old, across different regions. Separate classes for adults and children ensured that everyone learned at their own pace in a comfortable setting.

The quality and commitment behind her Kannada education initiative did not go unnoticed. The Karnataka government, in collaboration with a Kerala missionary group, hosted a two-day training camp on 'How to Teach Kannada', in which Sushma not only participated, but was also recognised as a certified teacher eligible to teach at 'Karnataka Kalika Kendras', which the state government officially endorses. Her summer camps were also bestowed with the status of a 'Kannada Kalika Kendra'.

Under this framework, her classes today follow a structured format: hour-long sessions, three times a week, totalling 36 hours per course. After completion, students take an exam and receive certificates upon passing.

Sushma's love for languages extends beyond Kannada. Her academic pursuit in the language took her from clearing the Kannada Pravesha, Jaana and Kava exams, to eventually completing an MA, MPhil, and PhD in Kannada from Dravidian University, Kuppam. In September 2021, she founded the 'Dravida Bhasha Translators Association', with a vision to bridge the literary and cultural heritage of the five Dravidian languages — Kannada, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, and Tulu. With over 80 active members, the association preserves, translates and promotes Dravidian languages. Sushma sees this as essential to sustaining the cultural fabric of South India, and she is determined to keep building a stronger ecosystem for regional language translators.

Sushma's own tryst with Kannada began in her early twenties. Originally a Malayalam speaker, she didn't know how to read, write or speak Kannada, until she married a man from Mandya. It was her father-in-law who first inspired her to learn Kannada.

Despite several personal and professional hurdles, her love for the language only deepened. Encouraged by mentors like poet and lyricist Padma Shri Doddarangegowda, and supported by her family, Sushma continued to persevere. From being a passionate learner to becoming a teacher, she has inspired thousands to believe that learning Kannada, or any language, is not a rigid path, but one filled with joy, patience, and purpose. Her classes are more than lessons; they are spaces for people to overcome the belief that it is difficult to imbibe new languages.

As long as I can, I will teach. There are people from various parts of the country who come to Bengaluru. They study here, work here and settle down here, but don't want to learn Kannada. To them, I want to say that learning Kannada is not just a necessity, but also their duty — Sushma Shankar

At 9.08L, Metro records highest daily ridership

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IN a major milestone, Namma Metro recorded its highest ridership this year of 9,08,153 in a single day on April 17.

Official data showed that the Purple Line (Line 1) carried 4,35,516 passengers, while the Green Line (Line 2) saw 2,85,240. The Kempegowda Majestic interchange station alone handled 1,87,397 commuters, a significant share of the day's traffic.

This comes nearly two months after Namma Metro raised its fares by an average of 45%. Following the fare hike on February 9, which saw ticket prices go up by an average of 51.55% before discounts and 41.7% after discounts, with the highest increase touching 71.42%, the Metro lost about one lakh commuters per day. Prior to the hike, average weekday ridership stood at around 8.5 lakh.

The highest-ever ridership was recorded on August 14, 2024, when 9,17,365 commuters used the service. Before this, on December 6 last year, the Metro had hit a single-day record of 9.02 lakh passengers, driven by the surge in footfall during Diljit Dosanjh's Dil-Luminati concert.

Candidates who got IIT, NEET seats barred from CET counselling

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IN an effort to crack down on professional courses seat-blocking scam, the Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA) announced that students under Karnataka domicile who have already 'secured' seats in reputed colleges across the country through National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET) or 'gained admissions' into premier technical institutes like IITs via the Joint Entrance Exam (JEE), will no longer be allowed to participate in the state's Common Entrance Test (CET) counselling process.

This decision was taken to prevent the misuse of the counselling system by candidates who block the seat despite committing to other top institutes. The KEA will keep a track of students who achieved top ranks in the CET. KEA Executive Director H Prasanna told *TNIE* that the examination body will be requesting institutes like IITs and IIITs among other top institutes to share data of Karnataka-based students who have got admission into these institutes to avoid confusion and seat blocking.

A separate cell will be set up to monitor these candidates. It will be headed by the administrative officer of KEA. "Some toppers, to block the seat, do not join professional courses but rather come for counselling for nursing and allied health science courses during the first two rounds. These students then without taking the allied science course apply for government quota engineering seats in prestigious private engineering colleges during the final round of counselling, and since these are the toppers, they get the seat in private institutes and they ultimately do not take admission in previously allotted colleges. In such cases, the seat remains vacant and eventually gets converted into a private seat, hence, such candidates will be monitored," Prasanna added.

Council secretariat posts: KEA publishes merit list

Bengaluru: The Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA) published the final merit list of the written examination conducted for 27 posts of various cadres of the Karnataka Legislative Council secretariat on its website on Saturday. Executive director of the authority H Prasanna said the merit list along with the marks obtained by the candidates will be forwarded to the council's secretariat on Monday. The examination was conducted from March 22 to 25.

Newly laid Balagere-Panathur main road in a shambles in just 42 days

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THE Balagere-Panathur main road, which leads to several apartments and dozens of IT firms, has exposed the shoddy work of the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB). Just 42 days after the road was renovated, the asphalt has peeled off, developed undulation and a part of the stretch has sunk in.

As per the residents, the board, after the installation of huge sewage pipes in the centre of the road, restored it as per norms. But due to poor execution, the water seeped during the pre-monsoon showers in the last few days, exposing the substandard work by the civic agency.

BBMP officials said out of a 400-metre stretch from the railway underbridge at Panathur up to Disha Apartments, 20 metres has sunk in and there is undulation. The reason for this is the absence of side drains in the road stretch up to the railway underbridge, and if it rains heavily, the entire stretch will go for a toss and lead to a huge traffic gridlock.

"The road will remain a headache for motorists as there is no side drain network here and the stretch will flood. A few landowners here have to give up land for transferable development rights (TDR) or agree to cash compensation. This issue was escalated to the BBMP project commissioner level six months ago. At present, part of the road belongs to a private party and if they decide to close, then travel on this road will not be possible," said an engineer.

Echoing the same, BWSSB Executive Engineer Venugopal said the board is only concerned with sewage and water lines and construction of side drains is BBMP's responsibility. "We had cut the road, and after installation of sewage drain pipes, covered the area and tarred it," he said.

The locals said once the road is cut open, to fix it, aggregates and cold mix have to be laid in good quantity. But here, the BWSSB just used loose soil and added a few inches of tar and the road was damaged in the light rain.

KEONICS to collaborate with Germany for tech projects

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KARNATAKA is poised to deepen its global ties in technology and innovation, as Karnataka State Electronics Development Corporation Limited (KEONICS) is exploring collaboration with Bavaria, Germany.

MLA Sharath Bachegowda, Chairman of KEONICS, recently met with Tobias Gotthardt, Bavarian Deputy Minister for Finance, Regional Development, and Energy, to discuss a roadmap for industrial growth and international cooperation. The discussions focused on transforming Karnataka's Tier-2 cities into hubs for innovation and Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises-led (MSME) industrial clusters.

As part of the plan, Belagavi will be developed as an automotive cluster, Mangaluru will focus on fintech, marine tech, and biotech, Mysuru is set to become an electronics manufacturing hub, and Kalaburagi will focus on agri-tech.

Bengaluru will continue to lead in IT and BT, but also act as the anchor for these clusters, supporting innovation across the state.

Another key proposal was the establishment of startup corridor between Bengaluru and Bavaria, allowing startups from both regions to collaborate, innovate jointly, and access new markets, to help homegrown startups scale globally while also opening Karnataka to foreign investment and partnerships.

The Bavarian delegation welcomed KEONICS' shift owards cluster-led, decentralised development as a promising model.

Tension prevailed in Vajamangala as villagers and members of Dalit organisations staged a protest against miscreants who had defaced the Ambedkar banner and signboard which were put up for Ambedkar Jayanti. Police said miscreants had put human excreta on the signboards. The incident was caught on CCTV cameras installed at a nearby milk booth, and cops have started an investigation

FOUND RICKY BLEEDING IN CAR'S BACKSEAT, SAYS DRIVER

'He expressed suspicion on Muthappa Rai's second wife Anuradha, former aide Rakesh Malli and two others'

Case against Muthappa's 2nd wife, aides

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THE driver of Ricky Rai, son of former don-turned-social activist Muthappa Rai, stated in his complaint to the Bidadi police that an assailant shot at their SUV just after midnight on Saturday.

The driver, G Basavaraju, stated that he has been working for Ricky for the past four to five years. "Ricky had often told me that he had life threats and was always cautious. He stayed in Sadashivanagar, Bengaluru, and also had a house in Bidadi. On Friday evening, around 6, we left his Sadashivanagar residence and reached the Bidadi house around 7.30 pm. As usual, we took a rest, and around 11 pm, he informed me that we had to leave for Bengaluru. I, Ricky, and his bodyguard Rajpal left the Bidadi residence in a black Fortuner (KA 53 MC 7128)," he stated.

"While we were driving, we suddenly heard a loud sound at one location. I stopped the car a little further, got down and checked the tires. Since everything seemed fine, we continued our journey and reached up to the railway crossing in Bidadi. At that point, Ricky told us that he had forgotten his wallet at home, so we returned to the Bidadi house. After about one-and-a-half hours, around 12.50 am, we again left for Bengaluru. As soon as we crossed the gate of the Bidadi house and were exiting, at the exact location where we had heard the sound around 11 pm, a series of gunshots were fired at the car. I narrowly escaped, but Ricky sustained serious injuries in his nose and right shoulder. He was bleeding profusely and was in a critical condition. I immediately stopped the vehicle, got out and found Ricky, who was in the backseat, badly injured. He was taken to Bharat Kempaiah Hospital in Bidadi. The doctors advised that he be shifted to Manipal Hospital in Bengaluru for advance treatment," the complaint stated.

> I am keeping track of the case. Ricky Rai has been admitted to Manipal Hospital and investigations are on
>
> Dr G Parameshwara, Home Minister

"When I asked Ricky about who might be behind the attack, despite being in pain, he expressed suspicion on Rakesh Malli, Anuradha and Nitesh Shetty, the owner of Nitesh Estates, Vaidyanathan and their followers. He mentioned that his father, Muthappa Rai, had many enemies during his lifetime and that there had been past attempts on his life. He mentioned that his father, who died of cancer, was also threatened and mentally harassed by Rakesh Malli and Anuradha in his final days," Basavaraju stated.

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RICKY, who hurt his nose and right shoulder, was rushed to a private hospital in Bidadi and from there to Manipal Hospital in Bengaluru in an ambulance.

Ricky is undergoing treatment at the hospital's ICU. Driver Basavaraju, who is said to have sustained minor injuries, filed a complaint at the Bidadi police station on Saturday morning. According to the complaint, two attempts were made on Ricky. Around 11 pm on Friday, when Ricky, the driver and gunman were going to Bengaluru, the accused is said to have opened the first round of firing. When the driver heard the gunshot, he got out of the vehicle to check. As he could not see anything, they went ahead with their plans. Again, the second attack took place around 12.50 am. Two bullets were recovered from near the farmhouse.

Ramanagara Superintendent of Police R Srinivas Gowda said that out of three people in the SUV, two sustained injuries, while one is being treated as an inpatient. "Prima facie, it appears that the miscreant has opened one round of fire," Gowda added. Insiders' handiwork is suspected as the accused is said to have known exactly when Ricky was stepping out. Ricky is always surrounded by a team of bodyguards and he normally drives the car. But on Saturday, he gave the keys to the driver and sat in the backseat. As the SUV has black tinted glass, the accused could not take aim properly. Assuming that Ricky was driving, he shot at the front door. It is suspected that the shooter aimed at the door window, but hit the door. It is not clear if Ricky and Basavaraju sustained injuries because of the bullet or because the driver swerved the vehicle. Police filed a case against Muthappa Rai's second wife Anuradha, his close aide Rakesh Malli, Nitesh Shetty of Nitesh Estates, Vaidyanathan and their associates for attempt to murder (BNS 109) and under the Arms Act. Four teams have been formed to probe various angles, including real estate deals, property disputes among family members, Muthappa Rai's possible rivals and underworld involvement. Ricky Rai is married, and his second wife, a foreign national, and child reside abroad. He returned to India from Russia just two days ago.

Ricky Rai's SUV on which a miscreant opened fire near Bidadi in the early hours of Saturday | EXPRESS

Ricky in news for all wrong reasons

Ricky is in the news for all the wrong reasons. His name had figured after the Central Crime Branch (CCB) sleuths arrested a few actors in a drug case in 2020. In October 2021, Ricky and his associates were accused of setting fire to a Range Rover at a residential complex in Sadashivanagar. In May 2023, Ricky was attacked near Kaze Bar and Kitchen on Lavelle Road in Cubbon Park police limits.

PENALTIES IMPOSED

FDA cracks down on unhygienic stalls at Chinnaswamy

RISHITA KHANNA @Bengaluru

WITH the ongoing IPL matches, the Food Safety and Drug Administration (FDA) Department has intensified food outlet inspections within the M Chinnaswamy Stadium.

Officials from the department told *TNIE* that samples were collected from all outlets, including popular brands, and penalties were imposed on those found violating hygiene standards. A total of 12 food stalls operating inside the stadium were inspected during the match between Royal Challengers Bangalore and Punjab Kings on Friday. Notices were issued to two prominent outlets—one a leading packaged drinking water company, and the other a well-known food brand recognised for its ghee, sweets, snacks, instant mixes, and spice powders.

Samples were also collected from several popular food brands selling items such as pizza, tacos, and other snacks.

"This action comes in response to multiple complaints received during last year's IPL matches, where people raised concerns about poor food quality and lack of hygiene. As a result, inspections were carried out during the match," an FDA official said.

In addition to stadium checks, the department recently conducted inspections in industrial areas, starting with food stalls in Yeshwanthpur and Peenya. These areas see a high footfall of workers and daily-wage labourers who depend on these stalls for affordable meals. Despite training sessions held a few months ago to improve hygiene and food safety, officials found that the quality at many stalls remained poor.

Moreover, stall owners reportedly did not cooperate during the inspections and raised objections, claiming that such checks harmed their business. Some workers also expressed concern, noting that these stalls are their only source of low-cost food.

EXPRESS READ

Police Commissioner Dayananda launches monthly online dialogue with citizens

Bengaluru: In a first-of-its-kind interactive initiative, City Police Commissioner B Dayananda went live on various social media platforms around noon on Saturday to engage with citizens and address traffic-related issues in the city. During the livestream , Dayananda also announced that similar online interactions would be held regularly on the third Saturday of every month. Some participants also suggested increasing police patrols to enhance safety. He responded to queries about traffic management, road rage incidents, and other civic concerns during the live-stream. One citizen raised the issue of bribery within the department, to which he said stringent action would be taken in such cases. He urged people to directly approach the Police Commissioner or any senior officer to file complaints regarding misconduct or corruption.

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
ZILLA PANCHAYATH, BELLARY
Office of the Executive Engineer, P.R.E. Division, Bellary,
No. EE/PRED/BLY/AE-1/RMSA/TDR/2024-25/36 **Dt. 15-04-2025.**

Short Term Tender Notification (Through KPPP Portal only)

On behalf of Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka tenders are invited from the eligible contractors who have enrolled in Panchayath Raj Engineering Department for 01 work comprising of **Providing Various Furnitures to the Schools in Ballari,Kurugodu, Kampli, Siruguppa and Sandur Taluks of Ballari Dist** under RMSA 2009-10,2010-11, 2013-14 TO 2017-18 fund through KPPP portal. Contractors are required to submit the tender before 23-04-2025 at 4.30 PM by uploading the relevant documents through KPPP portal website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** by downloading the formats for submission of tenders from 15-04-2025 to 23-04-2025 at 4.30 PM. Tenders will be opened through KPPP portal on 25-04-2025 at 5.30 PM. Any changes in the notification will be published KPPP website only. Accepting/rejection of tenders without assigning reason is reserved. Any details can be obtained in person at the office or through telephone No. 08392-266173.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Panchayath Raj Engineering Division Ballari
DIPR/Ballari/38/KSMCA/2025-26

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
Public Works Department
Executive Engineer PWD Division Chikkodi
No/PWD/CKD DIV/AE-2/TENDER/2025-26/262 **DATE: 16/04/2025**

Short Term E-Tender Notification (Call-1, Call-2 & Call-3)

Executive Engineer PWD Division Chikkodi has invited item wise short term e-Tender/retenders from Eligible registered contractors for the works coming under the jurisdiction of Chikodi PWD Division, 1 work under head of account 8443-Deposit Contribution, 1 work under head of account 5054-SH Impts and 1 work under head of account 5054-MDR Impts, Totally 3 No. of works, Amount put to tender is Minimum of Rs. 64.00 Lakhs and Maximum of Rs. 160.00 Lakhs.

Calendar of events:1)Pre-bid meeting date: 24-04-2025 at 11.00 AM, at The O/o the under signed. 2)Last date for queries & clarifications : 25-04-2025 up to 5.30 PM, 3)Last Date of Receipt of Bids : 28-04-2025 up to 5.00 PM, 4)Date of opening of Technical bids (Two Cover System): 02-05-2025 at 4.30 PM, 5)Date of opening of Financial bids (Two Cover System): "after approval of Technical bids", 6)If no bid received auto extension will be done by e-proc itself for 2 days.

For more information & forms of tender can be downloaded from kppp.karnataka.gov.in & departmental web site www.kpwd.gov.in. Further details can be collected from O/o Executive Engineer Public Works Dept.,Division Chikkodi during working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer
PWD Division Chikkodi.
DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-115/KSMCA/2025-26

बनारस रेल इंजन कारखाना, वाराणसी–221004
बिड संख्याः ई–02/2025–2026 दिनांकः 18.04.2025
निविदा सूचना
भारत के राष्ट्रपति के लिए एवं उनकी ओर से निम्नलिखित वस्तुओं की आपूर्ति हेतु ई–निविदायें आमंत्रित की जाती है। केवल ई–प्रस्ताव ही स्वीकार्य है, जिनके लिए वेंडर का क्लास III का डिजिटल सिग्नेचर एवं (IREPS) पर पंजीकरण आवश्यक है। निविदाओं का विवरण निम्न क्रम से हैः– क्र.सं. निविदा संख्या, खुलने की तिथि तथा समय, पीएल नं0, मद विवरण और मात्रा। **क्र.सं.**:– **1.**, 06250009, 05.05.2025, 15.00, 29171362, इलेक्ट्रिकल सिग्नल एक्सचेज, 1120 सेट, **क्र.सं.**:– **2.**, 06251752, 07.05.25, 15.00 29178150, कम्प्लीट पैनल ए सी डी, 299 अदद, **क्र.सं.**:– **3.**, 03251073, (25.04.2025), सप्लाइ, इन्सटालेशन एंड कमिसनिंग आफ वाटर लेस यूरीनल सिस्टम पार्ट सं 29171660, 230 सेट, **क्र.सं.**:– **4.**, 07245638/B, 08.05.2025, 7590N008, सप्लाइ एण्ड इंस्टालेशन/कमिसनिंग ऑफ फिना अप्रोवेड 16 फीट मैक्सिपलेक्स डाइविंग स्प्रिंग बोर्ड, 02 सेट, **क्र.सं.**:– **5.**, 10251002A, (06.05.2025), किट ऑफ पिस्टन एण्ड पिस्टन रिंग सेट टू पार्ट सं. 16031015, 3019 अदद, **क्र.सं.**:– **6.**, 10241370A, (05.05.2025), टरबो लूब ऑइल सोक पम्प (डी.सी.) टू पार्ट सं. 16060222, 138 अदद। उक्त निविदाओं का विस्तृत विवरण **www.blw.indianrailways.gov.in** और **www.ireps.gov.in** पर उपलब्ध है। **संशोधित सूचनाः– क्र.सं.**:– **7. बिड सं**: E–77 **निविदा सं**o: **निविदा सं**o 10231875D फयूल फिल्टर ए.एस.एम **रिविजन** : 01 **सुधार का विवरण** : (01) यह निविदा दिनांक **17.04.2025** के स्थान पर दिनांक **28.04.2025** को खुलेगी। (02) मात्रा 27 अदद के जगह पर मात्रा 43 अदद पढ़ा जाय। अन्य सभी नियम एवं शर्तें पूर्ववत रहेंगी।
जसअ/बरेका/एस–02 प्रमुख मुख्य सामग्री प्रबंधक
/banaraslocowork वेबसाइटः http://blw.indianrailways.gov.in

WESTERN RAILWAY
MATERIAL MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
VARIOUS MATERIALS SUPPLY
E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE No. S/22/2025 Date 17.04.2025

S.N.	Short Description of Item	Quantity	T.O.D.
188	Elastomeric Pads Design	6656 Nos	12-May-25
189	Supply Installation and Commissioning of onboard System of Advanced auxiliary warning system.	50 Nos	15-May-25
190	Retro fitment of revised WSP wiring.	75 Set	15-May-25
191	Retro fitment of revised WSP wiring.	75 Set	15-May-25
192	A Set of Brake Caliper with brake	15 Set	15-May-25
193	Set of must change item during every overhauling of knorr bremse make...	170 Set	19/05/25
194	High tensile transition CB	221 Nos	19-May-25
195	Must change item for brake	347 Set	21-May-25
196	All steel lock Nut of different sizes	47896 Nos	21-May-25
197	Hydraulic Re-Railing equipment (HRE)	1 Set	02-Jun-25

Regarding detailed notice EMD, Purchase restrictions and detailed tender conditions, please visit website **www.ireps.gov.in** and **wr.indianrailways.gov.in** 0063
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Regd. Office: 11th Floor, Tower A, Peninsula Business Park, Ganpatrao Kadam Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai – 400013. Contact No. (022) 61827414, (022) 61827375 CIN No. U67190MH2008PLC187552.

POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)
(As per Rule 8(1) of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the TATA Capital Housing Finance Limited., under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a demand notice dated as below calling upon the Borrowers to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of the said notice.
The borrower, having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower, in particular and the public, in general, that the undersigned has taken Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said Rules.
The borrower, in particular, and the public in general, are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **TATA Capital Housing Finance Limited**, for an amount referred to below along with interest thereon and penal interest, charges, costs etc. from date of demand notice.
The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Loan Account No.	Name of Obligor (s) / Legal Heir (s) / Legal Representative (s)	Amount & Date of Demand Notice	Date of Symbolic Possession U/s.13(4)
TCHHL 0493000100089028	Mr. Vishal Sandeep Dsouza (Borrower) Mrs. Leena Veronica Dsouza (Co Borrower)	As on 14thJan, 2025 Rs.11,10,819/-	16.04.2025

Description of Secured Assets/Immovable Properties: Schedule of the Property: SCHEDULE "A" To All the piece and parcel of the residentially converted landed property bearing its old Sy.No.38, and new Sy.No.38/1 measuring 2 Acre, converted for non-agricultural residential purpose vide order of the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, vide No. ALN(A)(K&A)SR186 &187/2005-06, dated 24-07-2007, situated at Indlabele Village, AtibelleHobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District bounded on: East by : Property of Muniswamy Reddy and Sons in Sy.No.197. West by :Attibele and Sarjapura main Road, North by : Sy.No.39/408, Owned by "OWNER" B.G.Anjanappa& property of Sampangiramaiah South by : Property of Sri. Muniswamy Reddy and sons in Sy.No. 38/2 & land in Sy.No.37.SCHEDULE "B" , To All the piece and parcel of the residentially converted landed property bearing its old Sy.No.39, and new Sy.No.39/408 measuring 0-15 guntas, converted for non-agricultural residential purpose by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, vide No.ALN(A)(K&A)SR 186 &187/2005-06, dated 24-07-2007, situated at Indlabele Village, AttibeleHobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District bounded on: East by : Property belonging to B.G.Anjanappa purchased from G Kamalendra Kumar, Sy.No.38/1.West by :Attibele and Sarjapura Main Road, North by : Property of Sampangiramaiah in Sy.No.39, South by : Old Sy.No.38 and New Sy.No.38/1. Property belonging to B.G.Anjanappa. SCHEDULE" C" , All the piece and parcel of the residentially converted landed property bearing its old Sy.No.38, and new Sy.No.38/1 measuring 2 Acre Described as "A" schedule Property and Land Bearing Old Sy.No.39 New Sy.No.39/408 Measuring 0-15 guntas described as "B" schedule Properties in Total "A" schedule + "B" Schedule Properties Totally measuring 2-15 acres/guntas, commonly converted for non-agricultural residential purpose by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dist, vide Order No.ALN(A)(K&A)SR186 &187/2005-06, dated 24-07-2007, situated at Indlabele Village, AtibelleHobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District which are commonly bounded on: East by Muniswamy Reddy and Sons land in Sy.No. 197. Westby AttibeleSarjapura Main Road.North by Properties of Sampangiramaiah and B G Anjanappa(OWNER)&Rajjammain in Sy.No.39. South by Properties of Muniswamy Reddy and sons in Sy.No. 38/2 and property in Sy.No.37. SCHEDULE 'D'An undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule 'C' Property in proportion to the Schedule "E" Apartment. Equivalent to about 329 Sq. Ft. of undivided right. SCHEDULE 'E' A Three (3) Bedroom apartment (Refer to the floor plan attached) bearing No.111 on the Ground Floor, of the residential complex known as "ARYAN FOUNTTAIN SQUARE" (Refer to the Key plan attached) to be constructed in the Schedule-C Property, having a super built-up area of 924, Square Feet, (which is inclusive of the floors, ceiling and walls between the apartments and the common areas attributable thereto) with a covered car parking.

For Tata Capital Housing Finance Limited
Date: 16.04.2025 **Sd/-**
Place: Bangalore **Authorised Officer**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank (A Government of India Undertaking)
LAVELLE ROAD BRANCH
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DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

We, **Canara Bank** had issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has not been acknowledged and returned due to non-availability of Addresee at the said addresses / due to evading of service of the notices sent by RPAD, notice could not be served. Further, Bank had served the said demand notices by affixture at the addresses given. The contents of the said notice are mentioned herein below.

Name & Address of the Borrowers/Guarantor/Mortgagor : 1) (A) M/s. NUV Vellore LLP, No. 10/6 4th Floor, Lavelle Road, Bangalore- 560001. **(B) M/s. NUV Vellore LLP,** NH 46 (L&T Rest Area), Mottur Village, Abdhullapuram, Vellore, Tamilnadu, Pin-632010. **2) Mr. Venkata Srikanth Nuvvala (Partner),** Sri Towers, Flat No. 401, Sivaji Road, Ayyappa Nagar, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh - 520007. **3) Mr. K R Ramalingaiah (Partner),** S/o. R V Rajagopalaiah, 8- 6- 6 Kamsalpet, Hindupur, Anantapur,Andhra Pradesh-515201. **4) Mrs. Sowmya .M .R (Mortgagor & Guarantor)** W/o. Girijashankar B L, 145, 60 Ft Road, 5th Stage BEML Layout, Rajarajeshwarinagar, Bangalore-560098.

Sl. No.	Loan Number	Nature of Loan	Amount	Date of Sanction
1	0887773011866	Term Loan	Rs. 8,90,00,000/-	23.09.2019

Total Liability Amount : Rs. 4,11,99,339.41 (Rupees Four Crore Eleven Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Nine and Paise Forty One Only) as on 05.04.2025, together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs

NPA Date : 27.03.2025 **Demand Notice Date : 07.04.2025**

Description of the Immovable Property : All that part and parcel of converted land bearing Sy. No. 240/4, vide Conversion Order No. ALN(S)SR(K)177/2009-10, measuring an extent of 17.22 Guntas (18751 sq ft) out of 30 Guntas situated at Halagevaderahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk and now comes within the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagar Palike, Rajarajeshwari Nagar Sub-Division, Bangalore, vide BBMP Khatha No. 1037/240/4/1 and bounded on : East by : 60 feet Road, West by : Sy. No. 241 and remaining portion of Sy. No. 240/4, North by : Road and Sy. No. 240/7 and South by : Remaining portion of Sy. No. 240/4.

You are here by called upon to pay Canara Bank, within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the respective amount mentioned here in above, failing which Canara Bank will take necessary action under the provisions of the said Act, against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the Guarantors. The powers available to Canara Bank under theAct include (i) power to take possession of the secured assets of the Guarantors/Mortgagor including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising secured assets and any transfer of secured assets by Canara Bank shall vest in the transferee rights in or in relation to, the secured asset transferred as if the transfer has been made by you. In terms of the provisions of section 13(13) of the said Act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business) any of the secured assets as referred to in the Demand Notice affixed and also Hypothecated / Mortgaged to the bank without prior written consent of the Bank. The notice is issued in terms of Section (13)2 of the said Act.

Date : 07.04.2025 **Sd/-Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Canara Bank**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank (A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA UNDERTAKING)
Bilekahalli (Vijaya Bank Layout)
G-02, Arvind's Sharavathi, 80 Feet Road, Bilekahalli,
Vijaya Bank Layout, Off: Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru-560076
Email: cb10754@canarabank.com

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assests and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provisio to Rule 8 (6) of Security Intrest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the effect that the immovable properties described herein, taken possession under the provisions of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, will be sold by inviting tenders on the following terms & conditions. E-Auction arranged by the service provider **E-bkray (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd) (Contact No. 7046612345 / 6354910172 / 8291220220 / 9892219848 / 8160205051, Email: support.ebkray@psballiance.com / support.ebkray@procure247.com).**

1) Name and Borrower & Secured Creditor 2) Name of the Borrowers/Guarantor(s)	1) Secured Debt outstanding 2) Reserve Price & 3) Earnest Money Deposit	1) Last Date of Deposit of EMD & KYC Document 2) EMD Account No. 3) IFSC Code 4) Bid Factor	1) Date of Auction 2) Time of Auction 3) Date & Time of Inspection
1) Borrower: 1) Madhuramma W/o Chikkayallappa, **2) Govinda Raju** S/o Chikkayallappa, **Both are residing at:** No.11 Indirapriyadarshini Colony, Nr Govt School Arekere B G Road, Bangalore-560076, **3) Jyothi,** 30 2 Arakere, Anjaneya Temple Street, Arakere, Bangalore-560076, **4) Chandrashekar,** 47 Indirapriyadarshini Colony, Arekere, Bangalore-560076, **5) Nagarathna,** 11 Indira Priyadarshini Colony, Arakere, Bangalore-560076.	**1) Amount of Rs. 5,85,822.51/- (Rupees Five lakhs Eighty Five thousand Eight hundred Twenty Two and Paise Fifty One Only) plus further interest thereon from 01.04.2025 and other expenses** **2) Rs. 30.60 Lakhs 3) Rs. 3.06 Lakhs**	**1) 03.05.2025 2) A/c No.209272434 3) CNRB0010409 4) Rs.1,00,000/-**	**1) 05.05.2025 2) 11:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M 3) 03.05.2025 5.00 PM**
Description of Immovable Properties(Name of owner/mortgagor to be mentioned): All that piece and parcel of the house property bearing No. 126, formed in Sy. No. 41, present BBMP Khatha No. 148/143/130/126, Arekere Village, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore measuring East to West 23 ft and North tÍ South 20 ft, totally measuring 460 sy.ft. together and bounded on the: East by: Private Property, wesrby: Road, North by: Private Property, South by: Road.			
2) Borrower: 1) Lokesh C, 2) H K Padmaja Lokesh Both are residing at: 66/B Near Sai Baba Temple, vasanthapura Subramanayapura Bangalore-560061.	**1) Amount of Rs. 7,59,039.15 (Rupees Seven lakhs Fifty Nine Thousand Thirty Nine and Paise Fifteen Only) plus further interest thereon from 01.01.2025 and other expenses** **2) Rs.68.00 Lakhs (3) Rs.6.80 Lakhs**	**1) 03.05.2025 2) A/c No.209272434 3) CNRB0010409 4) Rs.1,00,000/-**	**1) 05.05.2025 2) 11:30 A.M to 12:30 P.M 3) 03.05.2025 5.00 PM**
Description of Immovable Properties(Name of owner/mortgagor to be mentioned): All that Piece and Parcel of property Southern portion of the Khatha bearing No.197, at Vasanthpura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk. Measuring East to West: 35ft and North to South: (30+32)/2 ft. Bounded on: East: House of Sri Thimmaiah, West: House of Sri M Krishnappa, North: portion of the same site belongs to Sri C Lokesh, South: Passage.			

Note: As on date, No Encumbrance Known to Bank for the above mention properties. Other terms and Conditions

(a) Auction/bidding shall be only through Online Electronic Bidding through the **Website https://ebkray.in/** Bidders and advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking in the e-auction sale proceedings.
(b) The property can be inspected with prior appointment with **Authorised Officer.**
© The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process.
(d) EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited by way of DD favoring Authorized Officer, **Canara Bank, Bilekahalli (Vijaya Bank Layout) Branch, IFSC Code : CNRB0010409, on or before 03.05.2025 - 5.00 PM.**
(e) After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before **03.05.2025 - 5.00PM** to **Canara Bank,** above mentioned branches by hand or by email. i) Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT, acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. ii) Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. iii) Bid form.
(f) The intending bidders should register their names at portal **https://ebkray.in/** and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E-auction from the service provider, **M/s PSB Alliance (E-bkray), Email: support.ebkray@psballiance.com.**
(g) EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD shall not carry any interest. Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of **Rs. 1,00,000/-** (Rupees One Lakhs Only). The bidder who submits the highest bid (above the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.
(h) The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorised officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again.
i) For sale proceeds of Rs. 50 (Rupees Fifty) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at the rate 1% on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the Bank.
(j) All charges for conveyance, stamp duty/GST registration charges etc., as applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only. Authorised Officer reserves the right to postphone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the e-auction without assigning any reason thereof. In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the e-auction, they can approach Canara Bank Circle Office, Bengaluru, who as a facilitating centre, shall make necessary arrangements. For further details contact Canara Bank, Above mentioned Branches OR the service provider **M/s PSB Alliance (E-bkray) Email: support.ebkray@psballiance.com.**

Date : 19.04.2025 **Sd/- Authorised officer**
Place: Bangalore **Canara Bank**

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QuoteExpress **KEEP YOUR EYES ON THE STARS, AND YOUR FEET ON THE GROUND** › THEODORE ROOSEVELT

In light of the violence that led to targeted atrocities and injustice against Hindus in West Bengal, the VHP and Bajrang Dal in Belagavi submitted a memorandum addressed to the President through the district administration, demanding imposition of President's Rule in West Bengal

CASTE CENSUS: CM TO PUT BALL IN TOP BRASS' COURT

Siddu wants letters from ministers opposing survey report to send to high command

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister **Siddaramaiah** may lob the ball into the court of Congress high command to tackle the imbroglio surrounding the release of Socio Economic Educational Survey (SES-2015), popularly known as caste census.

The report that had been deferred twice was finally taken up at the cabinet meeting on Thursday. The reason for it was Siddaramaiah's meeting with Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, who insisted on it, source said. Now, Siddaramaiah plans to go back to the high command, of which Rahul is a major part, and brief the top leaders of the developments that have taken place after the report was presented in the cabinet, sources said.

Siddaramaiah has also sensed that his ministers, especially those opposed to the caste census, may meet AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge and other high command leaders and complain against the census. To preempt that, the CM will collect the opinions of ministers on paper and forward it to the high command, sources said.

At the cabinet meeting, the ministers are said to have raised the issue of Congress getting a drubbing during the 2018 Assembly polls, reportedly because of Siddaramaiah's proposal to give a separate religion status to Lingayats and Veerashaivas.

But Siddaramaiah argued that MB Patil, who initiated and pushed the proposal, won the polls, but SS Mallikarjun, son of Veerashaiva Mahasabha president Shamanur Shivashankarappa, who had vociferously opposed the move, lost.

Siddaramaiah is also getting the caste census data of each and every assembly constituency to prove that except for some 20-30 segments in the state, the rest of the seats are determined by AHINDA votes, sources said. AHINDA is an acronym for minorities, backward classes and Dalits, which has been cultivated politically by Siddaramaiah for years now.

"He wants to demystify the perception that the separate religion status issue was the reason for Congress's debacle in 2018," the sources added.

Clinical precision: Kantharaj takes on critics of caste survey

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

REBUTTING allegations of inaccuracy and political manipulation in terms of the state's controversial socio-economic caste survey, **H Kantharaj**, former chairman of the Karnataka State Commission for Backward Classes, slammed the Opposition BJP and sections of dominant caste groups like the Lingayats and Vokkaligas for branding the report "unscientific". "This survey is perfectly scientific. All such criticisms are baseless and unfounded," Kantharaj told TNIE.

Kantharaj, a former additional advocate general, said the survey was not cobbled together in haste, but executed with clinical precision. "We roped in 1.35 lakh enumerators, all qualified government employees, along with tens of thousands of supervisors - a total manpower of 1.6 lakh. These were not amateurs; many were experienced school teachers. We also took the expertise of top minds from IIMs and other premier institutions," he added.

On claims that enumerators never visited certain households, he stated: "Our teams covered every inch of Karnataka for nearly a month. For locked homes, we gave three extensions, advertised across TV and newspapers. Dozens of citizens who missed out, called us and gave their details. What more can we do? If someone claims, years later, that we didn't knock on their door - well, that's not on us." Asked about Lingayats claiming their numbers were reduced, he said, "Whatever the respondent claimed was his caste and subcaste, we took it down. Who are we to dispute it or correct it?" About many communities claiming their numbers are divided; for eg., the fishermen community, which is claiming that they are listed under Gangamathastha, Besta, Koli, Mogaveera and other heads, he said whatever the person claimed was his caste or subcaste was recorded.

When questioned about exclusions of people born after 2015, Kantharaj clarified that the report accounted for all individuals born up to that year. As for political motives, he said, "The sole purpose of the report is to identify the most-backward and underprivileged and ensure that they get the social justice they deserve."

He concluded by emphasising the groundwork that went into the process: "We even consulted former commission chairpersons, had our questionnaire vetted by qualified agencies - this isn't just another report. It's a blueprint for equitable governance."

With the battle lines drawn and controversy heating up, Kantharaj's defence is sure to raise the political mercury even higher in Karnataka's caste cauldron.

Need an all-party meet on caste report: Nikhil

BENGALURU: Yuva JDS state president Nikhil Kumaraswamy has demanded the Karnataka Government to convene an all-party meeting to discuss the contentious caste census report. He questioned the authenticity of the data, asking how a report pending for over a decade was completed in just 60 days. He urged the inclusion of religious heads and community leaders in discussions, stressing the need for transparency and consensus.

JDS Youth Wing president Nikhil Kumaraswamy addressing a press conference at the party office in Bengaluru on Saturday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Acting on Rahul's letter, Siddu moves to pass Vemula Act

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

ACTING on the advice of Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Saturday initiated steps to bring in legislation to check caste and creed-based discrimination in educational institutions, popularly known as Rohith Vemula Act.

"I have instructed my legal advisor and team to prepare a draft of Rohith Vemula Act," Siddaramaiah wrote in his reply to Rahul's April 16 letter.

"I too, deeply share your sentiments, we must join hands to bring the Dalits, Adivasis and Backward classes into the mainstream. That the oppressed classes must no more face any discrimination in our educational system. My government and I are committed to ensuring an egalitarian and equal society," Siddaramaiah stated.

Quoting Dr Ambedkar

Rahul, quoting from Dr BR Ambedkar's memoir, wrote, "I knew I was an untouchable, and that untouchables were subjected to certain indignities and discriminations. For instance, I knew that in school I could not sit in the midst of my classmates according to my rank, but that I was to sit in a corner by myself."

Rahul said Siddaramaiah will agree that what Dr Ambedkar faced was shameful and should not be endured by any child in India.

"It is a shame that even today, millions of students from Dalit, Adivasi and OBC communities have to face such brutal discrimination in our educational system," he pointed out.

"The murder of bright young people like Rohith Vemula, Payal Tedvi and Darshan Solanki is simply not acceptable. It is time to put a firm end to this. I urge the Kamataka government to enact the Rohith Vemula Act so that no child of India has to face what Dr B R Ambedkar, Rohit Vermula and millions of others have had to endure," he had suggested.

Janivara row: Anger erupts across K'taka

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru, Hubballi, Bidar, Shivamogga, Davanagere

A storm of protest has engulfed Karnataka following reports that students were allegedly forced to remove their Janivara (sacred thread) before entering CET examination halls in Bidar and Shivamogga, triggering a fierce backlash from religious groups, political leaders, and civil society alike.

Union minister Pralhad Joshi led the charge, denouncing the act as a "direct assault on religious belief". He slammed the Congress government in the state for its tepid response, calling the mere suspension of two home guards involved as "grossly inadequate".

"It's not just Brahmins who wear the sacred thread. This is about faith. The government must issue immediate and clear guidelines," Joshi declared, linking the incident to what he called a pattern of Congress-led "distractions" to deflect from administrative failures.

The controversy intensified after CCTV footage from the examination centres surfaced. In Bidar, officials reportedly pressured Suchivrat Kulkarni to remove his sacred thread or forfeit his right to write the exam.

In Shivamogga, another student faced a similar ordeal. Though later allowed to write the exam, the incident ignited fury, with Deputy Commissioner Gurudatta Hegde confirming the suspension of home guards and a probe into the "prima facie insult to religious sentiment".

Across the state, outrage spilled onto the streets. In Kalaburagi and Bidar, members of Brahmin organisations torched tyres and marched in protest, demanding justice for the students and stringent punishment for those responsible. "This is a constitutional violation and a blow to Hindu sentiments," thundered Kalaburagi Brahmana Sangha president Pandurang Deshmukh. Protests echoed across Davanagere and Chitradurga, as demonstrators warned of growing discontent in the Brahmin community. In Mysuru, about 300 protestors chanted slogans, demanding that those responsible for this be brought to book.

JDS youth president Nikhil Kumaraswamy added his voice to the rising chorus. "A janivara is not a cheating tool! Would you ban someone wearing it from education? What threat does it pose? This is an outrageous breach of respect and dignity," he said. The Commission for the Protection of Child Rights has taken suo motu cognisance and demanded immediate action reports from the Karnataka Examination Authority and local administrations.

Akhila Karnataka Brahmana Mahasabha activists stage a demonstration against the janivara row in Bidar on Saturday | EXPRESS

RSS contemplating replacing Modi, as he's losing popularity: Ugrappa

MYSURU: Congress leader **VS Ugrappa** claimed that the RSS is contemplating replacing Prime Minister Narendra Modi, as the popularity of the three-time Prime Minister has dropped. He said Modi, knowing that the RSS is unhappy over price rise and drop in his popularity, visited the RSS headquarters to gain their confidence, as efforts are made to change his leadership. Speaking to the media persons here, he termed Modi the weakest prime minister, and accused him of dividing people along lines of religion and language. He said that the debt has increased from Rs 52,000 crore to 1.85 lakh crore in the past 11 years. Lashing out at the BJP for launching a Janakrosh Yatra to protest the price rise, he blamed the Centre responsible for the price rise with the increase in prices of fuel and domestic gas cylinders, and wants the state BJP unit to protest against the Centre, demanding rollback of prices. He said the prices of food grains, cement, and other essentials have increased, despite a fall in crude oil prices. Ugrappa dared the BJP leaders to a public debate on price rise. Despite injustice from the Centre, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has launched development works and has spent Rs 58,000 crore to implement the guarantee schemes, which brought some relief to people, he further claimed. But the BJP wanted to create confusion, misleading the people over price rise, Ugrappa alleged. **ENS**

I proposed Kharge's name for CM's post, says Muniyappa

V VELAYUDHAM
@ Hoskote (Bengaluru Rural District)

"AFTER Dharam Singh's tenure as chief minister, I suggested Mallikarjun Kharge's name for the CM's post as he was a tall leader of the party," said Food and Civil Supplies and Bengaluru Rural district incharge minister **KH Muniyappa**, here on Friday.

He told reporters that when Siddaramaiah became chief minister in his first term, senior Congress leader Dr G Parameshwara, who was the then KPCC president, had been defeated. "I appealed to the Congress high command to appoint him as the deputy chief minister, considering his service to the party," Muniyappa said

On changing the chief minister and Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee president posts, which are now held by Siddaramaiah and DK Shivakumar, Muniyappa said the decision will be taken by the party high command,

If the chief minister is being changed, Dalits will definitely appeal to the high command to choose a leader from the community, he said.

On PWD Minister Satish Jarkiholi visit to his residence, he said it was a casual call and they discussed development works in Bengaluru Rural district. "Politics was not part of the discussion. When Minister Zameer Ahmed Khan visited our house, we discussed development work," he added.

Caste census a risky strategy that could undo Congress' gains

THE Socio-Economic & Educational Survey 2015 (SES-2015), dubbed the Caste Census, is becoming a high-risk game for the ruling Congress in Karnataka. It could land the party in a big mess by pitting it against two major communities — Vokkaligas and Lingayats — if their concerns are not addressed before any decision is made on the contentious report.

By taking up the report based on the decade-old survey, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah could be looking at achieving multiple political goals in a single action. Those include: consolidating his support base among the AHINDA (Kannada acronym for Minorities, Backward Classes, and Dalits); implementing the promise made in the 2023 Assembly poll manifesto; conveying a message to the Congress high command, specifically to Rahul Gandhi, who is demanding nationwide caste census; and further consolidating his position within the party by putting his detractors in a bind.

For the Vokkaliga and Lingayat ministers, openly opposing the survey would be tantamount to going against the party's high command, but not doing so would antagonise their respective communities that are demanding the government to reject the report.

That political game plan has already been put in motion. To a limited extent, some of those goals have also been achieved, with details of the yet-to-be-officially-released report coming out. But, given the stiff opposition from the dominant communities, and several questions raised over the report's credibility, accuracy, and relevance, it is not certain if those at the helm of affairs would have full control over how the situation will evolve.

With voices in favour and opposing the report getting louder, striking a balance between them will not be an easy task. The Opposition BJP will be looking to capitalise on the anger among the Lingayats, while the regional party, Janata Dal (Secular), could consider it as an opportunity to regain its foothold in the Old Mysuru region, a Vokkaliga bastion.

If the government decides to go ahead with the report, Deputy Chief Minister and state Congress president DK Shivakumar, who is aspiring to become the CM, would be at the receiving end. He would face the ire of the Vokkaliga community, to which he belongs. Shivakumar was among the signatories who had submitted a memorandum to the CM in November 2023, requesting rejection of the report. Earlier this week, the Vokkaligara Sangha, the community body, threatened a massive protest against any move to accept the report. It asked the elected representatives to fight for the community's interests.

Similarly, it would put the Lingayat ministers, including Industries Minister MB Patil and Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre, in a tight spot. In the 2018 Assembly polls, the Siddaramaiah government's stand on giving Lingayats a status of separate religion was one of the factors that adversely impacted Congress. Many Lingayat leaders who were ministers in the Siddaramaiah government lost the 2018 Assembly polls.

The community leaders from the party would be wary of the negative implications of the caste survey. As senior Congress legislator, former minister, and Akhil Bharat Veerashaiva-Lingayat Mahasabha president, Shamanur Shivashankarappa puts it, Lingayats and Vokkaligas will fight together if the report is accepted. Vokkaligara Sangha also expressed similar views.

Both communities insist that they are not against a caste census, but want it to be done in a scientific manner, to reflect the real numbers of all the communities. They feel their numbers are under-counted, and that the study done a decade ago is outdated and unscientific as a large chunk of households were left out.

The SES-2015 by the Karnataka State Permanent Backward Classes Commission, a Rs 160-crore exercise, was commissioned during Siddaramaiah's first tenure as CM from 2013 to 2018. H Kantharaju was the commission's chairman when the study was done in 2015. Those deputed to collect details reportedly visited over 1.35 crore households and gathered socio-economic and educational data of over 5.98 crore people. The CM claimed that it is a scientific survey, covering 98% of the rural population and 95% of the urban population.

Although the survey was done in 2015, the report was not submitted during Siddaramaiah's first tenure as CM. The report, based on the study done in 2015, was submitted to the state government in February 2024 by the then chairman, Jayaprakash Hegde, who later unsuccessfully contested the 2024 Lok Sabha polls from the Udupi-Chikmagalur seat as a Congress candidate.

For the first time, the survey report was taken up for discussion in the special cabinet meeting, earlier this week. While that meeting remained inconclusive, and it is scheduled to be taken up again for discussions at the May 2 cabinet meeting, the report is unlikely to be implemented anytime soon.

Perhaps, the government will buy time on the pretext of getting more information or clarifications on the report. Those privy to the developments also say that an opportunity should be given to people to add or re-verify their details, as questions are being raised over the report's accuracy. The whole issue needs to be handled deftly by taking all communities into confidence, failing which such an exercise could harm the social fabric.

Siddaramaiah may be toeing Rahul Gandhi's line to strengthen his position within the party, while trying to send out a message that it is an effort to ensure proportionate representation for backward communities. But as things stand today, Congress would be wary of its political implications, as it is a risky strategy that could potentially undo its gains.

EXPRESS READ

Siddu advises Kurubas to imbibe rational thinking

TUMAKURU: Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Saturday advised members of the Kuruba community to reject the 'karma' concept and imbibe rational thinking. "Vested interests are deceiving people by making them believe that it is their karma that is responsible for their present births. That is why Basavanna rejected the concept of 'karma'. I do not know how many of you have rejected the concept of karma," he said, after inaugurating a programme of the Kuruba community held by Kuruba Sanskriti Parishad and Sridevi Group of Educational Institutions, and releasing 31 books of the community's 'Sanskriti Darshan Mala'. "The vested interests did not let Basavanna's revolution to continue and therefore, we need to think scientifically and rationally," he suggested. Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara and former BJP MLC Dr M R Hulinaykar, among others were present.

A 23-year-old final-year MBBS student died by suicide after being caught cheating during an exam at a private medical college in Sangivalasa, Visakhapatnam, on Saturday. The deceased, Sriram Datta Praneeth from Vijayawada, was found using chits during his gynaecology paper

RIFT IN MDMK

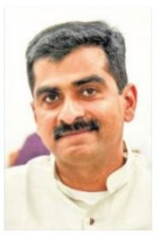
VAIKO'S SON QUITS AS PRINCIPAL SECY A DAY BEFORE CRUCIAL MEET

Party insiders say Durai's appointment was not taken well by Sathya, a deputy gen secy

S KUMARESAN @Chennai

IN an indication of irreconcilable differences between top leaders within the Marumalarchi Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (MDMK), **Durai Vaiko**—Lok Sabha MP and son of party founder Vaiko—resigned from his post of principal secretary on Saturday, a day before the party's high-level committee scheduled to be held in Chennai on Sunday.

Durai, in a statement, expressed his anguish over "persistent personal attacks" against him in the past four years. Though he did not name anyone, party sources said he was referring to the rift between him and senior party leader Mallai Sathya.



Durai said that while he endured the attacks silently, time had come to step down from his organisational responsibilities. "However, I will continue to serve the people of Tiruchy (his Lok Sabha constituency) and work at the grassroots level within the party," he said. He highlighted his works for the welfare of the party during recent years.

Party insiders said Durai's appointment as principal secretary in October 2021 was not taken well by Sathya, one of the party's deputy general secretaries, with their relationship worsening in recent months. Sathya's silence over incendiary social media posts by his supporters only added fuel to the fire, they said.

Once seen as internal discord, the rift seems to have widened with separate camps supporting Durai and Sathya. While Durai's supporters have accused Sathya of undermining party unity, those aligned with the latter have raised concerns about a lack of coordination in the party. During a recent trade union meeting, Durai is believed to have walked out in protest when the issue was brought up, sources said.

Notably, MDMK district committees in Tiruchy and Sivaganga recently passed resolutions demanding the removal of Sathya. The developments prompted the party's general secretary Vaiko to issue a stern statement urging party units not to pass resolutions targeting individual members. He subsequently called for a high-level meeting on Sunday to address the issue.

TNIE could not reach Sathya for a comment. Meanwhile, Vaiko told reporters on Saturday evening that an amicable solution will be arrived at on Sunday and all functionaries would listen to the leadership.

The irony in Vaiko's son's entry into the party triggering an internal tussle cannot be missed as it may be recalled that Vaiko, a promising leader of the DMK, exited the party and launched MDMK in 1994, mainly in protest against the emergence of dynastic politics in the Dravidian party.

Court says online fraud strikes at heart of fin stability

YATHIRAJU @Bengaluru

NOTING that in an era where online transactions are the lifeblood of commerce, finance, and communication, any compromise in their integrity has severe repercussions for society as a whole, a city civil and sessions court rejected the anticipatory bail petition filed by an accused in a cyber crime case.

Kiran S from Rajajinagar is facing charges of introducing the complainant, Maharudra, to another accused, who allegedly got Rs 90.45 lakh transferred from the bank account of the complainant's wife after he joined the Whatsapp Group created by the accused for online stock trading.

The public is facing problems with technology hackers. The custodial interrogation of the accused is required, said Somashekara A, Judge, 49th Additional City Civil and Sessions Court, rejecting the petition recently.

The court stated that the offence revolves around a well-organised, inter-state racket engaged in online financial trap laying scam.

According to the complaint registered with North CEN police station, the petitioner introduced the complainant to J Shivashankar, the accused No.1. The complainant was

called over his mobile number on January 24, 2025, and induced to invest money by accused Vijay Thakur. They requested him to join the WhatsApp group. They assured high returns through option trading, initial public offer and share allocation. Later they cheated the complainant and his wife by impersonation that they belonged to Genius Innovative Trading and Nirmal INT Company, extracting Rs 90.45 lakh by transferring from the complainant's wife to various bank accounts.

The court observed that the seriousness of such scams extends far beyond the immediate victims. At their core, they strike at the heart of the nation's financial stability. By undermining trust in online transactions, these fraudulent activities have a cascading effect that resonates throughout the entire economic landscape. When the trust in online transactions is shaken, it leaves individuals wary and apprehensive, rendering them vulnerable to financial exploitation.

As a result, the public becomes increasingly reluctant to engage in online financial activities, which can significantly impede economic growth, innovation, and financial inclusion. This court recognises the urgent need to address such issues with the utmost seriousness, not only to protect individuals from financial harm but also to ensure the continued vitality of online financial systems and, by extension, the broader economy, the court noted.

Thousands take part in the protest against the Waqf Act in Hyderabad on Saturday | VINAY MADAPU

Withdraw anti-Muslim 'black law', demands AIMPLB

Hyderabad: Terming the Waqf Amendment Act a "black law", All India Majlis-e-Ittehadul Muslimeen (AIMIM) supremo Asaduddin Owaisi on Saturday demanded its immediate and unconditional withdrawal. "We (Muslims) are ready to fight until the Union government withdraws the Waqf Act, just as farmers protested until the three farm laws were repealed," Owaisi thundered, addressing a public meeting jointly organised by the All India Muslim Personal Law Board and AIMIM opposing the amendments to the Waqf Act, at Darussalam in Hyderabad. "The political forces running the country aim to destroy Muslims. We will never allow this to happen," the Hyderabad MP said. Claiming that Prime Minister Narendra Modi was playing political chess with the lives of Muslims, he said: "We also know how to play." **ENS**

Ombudsman orders removal of Azhar's name from stadium

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@ Hyderabad

CITING conflict of interest, Ethics officer and Ombudsman (additional charge) of Hyderabad Cricket Association Justice V Eswaraiah on Saturday directed the HCA to remove the name of former cricketer Mohammed Azharuddin from the North Pavilion Stand of the Rajiv Gandhi International Cricket Stadium and ensure that no tickets are printed with the name of the former India captain henceforth.

In his orders, the Ombudsman opined that the former cricketer could have made the decision to rename the stand after himself in the meeting that he himself presided over and subsequently implemented the decision at the expense of the HCA.

Justice Eswaraiah was hearing a petition filed by the Lords Cricket Club against the renaming of the stand after Azharuddin who is a former president of the HCA. The petition also prayed for retention of the stand as the "VVS Laxman Stand".

The orders said: "Azharuddin has taken a personal decision in his own favour. The fact that there has been no ratification or modification of the decision by the general body further strengthens the case against Azharuddin, as he has exceeded his authority to benefit himself. In consequence of my findings, a clear case of conflict of interest is made out."

The orders said that it is seen that the meeting in which the decision to name the North Stand as Azharuddin Stand was presided over by the former cricketer in his capacity as HCA president. The order said that this was contrary to Rule 38(v) of the Memorandum of Association and Rules and Regulations-2018 of the Hyderabad Cricket Association and also against the principles of fair play and natural justice.

India's aviation has promise, but gaps remain: Experts

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THE Indian Institute of Management Bangalore (IIMB) on Saturday hosted the 8th International Conference on the 'Future of Aviation and Aerospace', bringing together experts from across the aviation and aerospace industry. The event focused on India's growing potential in this sector, opportunities for manufacturing and design for global markets, and the challenges that need urgent attention.

During the event, IIMB Director Prof Rishikesha T Krishnan highlighted how the aviation sector in India evolved significantly over the years. He credited the expansion of airports and air routes for the "democratization of air travel" and added that Indian carriers have become among the most valuable airlines globally, something once considered unthinkable.

Prof Krishnan, however, pointed out that despite this growth, challenges persist. He spoke about supply chain bottlenecks, workforce fatigue and safety concerns. "When we see aircraft grounded for years or hear about staff collapsing due to overwork, it's a signal that the sector needs to take better care of its people," he said. He also flagged the need to train and protect human capital, and stressed the importance of improving processes, safety and quality, especially as India eyes a bigger role in global aerospace manufacturing.

Prof S Raghunath of IIMB raised similar concerns and said while the numbers show India is doing well, the system must support future growth. "Passenger traffic is expected to grow by 6-7% and international traffic by 11-15%. Our air cargo growth has already outpaced the global average — 19% compared to 13% worldwide," he said, adding that India's infrastructure, however, is struggling to keep up. "Our airports look like crowded train stations. Even sitting space is hard to find. We have about 1,000 aircraft on order, but global manufacturers are facing supply chain delays," he added.

Prof Raghunath welcomed new policies like expanding small airports and helipads, but questioned whether India was ready in terms of trained personnel. "Where is the talent? By 2030, we'll need 10,900 new pilots and experts to manage drones, optimise flight routes, and more. Are we training people fast enough for that?" he asked.

He added that India has the potential to be a key global player in aerospace manufacturing, with experts estimating a possible 10% share in the global supply chain for critical components. However, he stressed the need for coordinated efforts across government departments to support industry players.

Actor Shine arrested in drugs case, out on bail

ABDUL NAZER M A @Kochi

TWO days after allegedly fleeing the scene during a narcotics raid at a Kochi hotel, film actor Shine Tom Chacko was on Saturday arrested and released on bail. The arrest followed nearly four-hour-long interrogation.

According to police, interrogation revealed that Shine had "used narcotic substances on several occasions". He has been booked under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act for consumption of narcotic drugs, abetment, and criminal conspiracy.

According to the FIR, Shine and his friend, Ahmed Murshad, may have stayed at the hotel as part of a conspiracy involving drug use or possession. Shine has also been accused of attempting to destroy evidence.

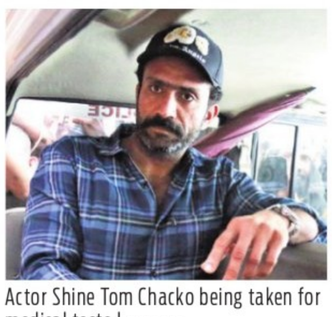
After his arrest, Shine underwent a medical examination at the General Hospital in Ernakulam, where samples of his hair and nail were collected for scientific testing to determine potential drug use. He was later released on conditional station bail.

"We questioned him thoroughly about the incident and his possible links to narcotics trafficking networks. We strongly believe he fled the hotel room to evade arrest and destroy evidence," said a top officer with the Kochi city police, who chose to remain anonymous.

"The actor has been granted bail for now, but he will be summoned again for further questioning in the coming days," he added. K A Abdul Salam, assistant commissioner of the Kochi city narcotics cell, said though the interrogation began with denials, Shine eventually admitted to using drugs after being confronted with evidence.

The police had initially summoned the actor to appear at 10.30 am, but he arrived at the Ernakulam Town North police station by 10 am, accompanied by his lawyers.

"Despite arriving ahead of schedule, apparently confident, Shine grew visibly frustrated during the interrogation and eventually broke down under questioning, which led to his arrest," said Salam.



Actor Shine Tom Chacko being taken for medical tests | EXPRESS

Minister Michelle Rowland at Sri Puthige Mutt branch in Sydney, Australia recently

Oz min to fund Krishna centre in Sydney

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Udupi

MICHELLE Rowland, Minister for Communications and Federal Member for Greenway, has announced a major funding commitment to support the construction of the Sri Krishna Place of Worship and Cultural Centre at Marsden Park, Sydney, Australia. The proposed development is set to become the largest Krishna temple complex in the Southern Hemisphere. Addressing a gathering at the Krishna Temple premises recently, Minister Rowland in her remarks said 800-year-old Udupi Krishna tradition - has a spiritual lineage rooted in Karnataka, India. "It is especially upheld by the revered Udupi Krishna Mutt and Sri Puthige Mutt".

Applauding the community outreach spearheaded by Sri Sugunendra Theertha Swamiji of Sri Puthige Mutt, Udupi, she said if the Albanese Government is re-elected, fund of $2.5 million (Rs 13.63 crore) will be given towards the creation of the Sri Krishna Community Hall at Marsden Park". Here at Sydney, Sri Puthige Mutt's branch is operating and doing community services. Prasanna Acharya, international secretary of Sri Puthige Mutt, told TNIE that considering the great community services led by Sri Puthige Mutt in Sydney, the minister Rowland pledged her support. "If the labour party wins the election, the fund will come and the development of Sri Krishna Cultural Center will take place. The land for the same project has already been purchased by Sri Puthige Mutt in Marsden Park, Sydney," she said.

Encroachment worth ₹51.25 cr cleared in B'luru

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THE Bengaluru District Administration on Saturday said they have cleared 13.26 acres worth 51.25 crore of illegally occupied land. Following the direction from Bengaluru Urban Deputy Commissioner G Jagadeesh, the tahsildars of various taluks across Bengaluru City District reclaimed encroached lands of Gomal, Mufat Kaval, Pond, Inam land Gundu Topu, Open Space and Kharab.

At Hagadur Village in KR Puram Hobali, Bengaluru East Taluk, one acre of Gomala land worth 10 crores was reclaimed. Similarly, 15 guntas from Bidarahalli Hobali, Kaikondrahalli Hobali and Varthur Hobli worth 1.40 crore were reclaimed.

The District Administration also reclaimed over 39 guntas of land worth Rs 63 lakhs in Aanekal Taluk. In Bengaluru South Taluk, the revenue department reclaimed 48 guntas of land worth over 4.30 crores.

In Yelahanka Taluk, 2.27 acres worth 8.25 crore was reclaimed. Similarly in various hoblis of Bengaluru North Taluk, 5.30 plus acres land worth 23.37 crore was taken over.

An unauthorised banner that fell on a car near Nagarabhavi Circle on Saturday | EXPRESS

4 injured as illegal banner falls on car

Bengaluru: Around four people, including a father and daughter who were travelling in a car, sustained minor injuries after a large unauthorised banner fell on them on Saturday, near Nagarabhavi Circle. The flex was put up to wish Vijayanagar MLA M Krishnappa and his son Priya Krishna, who is Govindarajanagar MLA, on their birthdays. The Byatarayanapura traffic police said the incident occurred around 4 pm following rain and strong winds. Two people escaped with minor injuries, and two other men were injured. According to the traffic police, the car was damaged and due to the incident, traffic was disrupted. Meanwhile, the jurisdictional Chandra Layout police said that no complaints have been filed so far. Reacting to the incident, netizens slammed the government, pointing out that despite a ban on banners, every corner of the city is covered with them. **ENS**

Former civil servants flay TG govt over bulldozing of green cover

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A COLLECTIVE of former civil servants, under the banner of the Constitutional Conduct Group, has criticised the Telangana government over the recent clearance of vegetation, including trees, in Kancha Gachibowli, Hyderabad.

In a statement signed by 67 retired officials from the IAS, IPS, IRS, IRAS, IFS, IDAS, RAS and other services – many with experience at both state and central levels – the group condemned the bulldozing of over 100 acres of green cover on land adjoining the University of Hyderabad (UoH). Signatories included former special secretaries to the Government of India Anand Arni and G Balachandhran, and former chief secretary of Bihar Sharad Behar.

Raising concerns over the environmental, legal and constitutional implications of the clearance, the group pointed to an apparent contradiction between the Congress party's promises and the state's actions. They noted that the Congress manifesto for the 2024 Lok Sabha elections — Nyay Patra — had pledged inclusive and sustainable development, including ecosystem protection and urgent climate action.

"It was therefore with dismay," the statement reads, "that we learnt of the recent disturbing incidents at the University of Hyderabad." The former officials also criticised the state's response to student protests against the clearance, which allegedly included arrests and the use of lathi charge.

The statement accused the Telangana government of ignoring multiple Supreme Court directives on forest identification and conservation. Citing the 1996 Godavarman judgment, it noted that all states were directed to form Expert Committees to identify forests based on dictionary definitions, irrespective of ownership. The undivided Andhra Pradesh at the time reportedly did not comply.

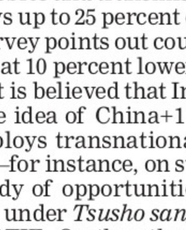
Following the creation of Telangana in 2014, the state government allegedly continued this non-compliance by failing to update or prepare accurate forest data. The officials argue that, had such identification taken place, Kancha Gachibowli would have been classified as forest land based on records and biodiversity characteristics.

The group urged the state government to follow Supreme Court orders in both "letter and spirit" and allow the area to naturally regenerate as forest rather than converting it into a developmental site.

We don't see things as they are, we see them as we are

Anaïs Nin

TARIFF CRISIS AND BREATHLESS HOPES FOR REFORMS



THE THIRD EYE

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IN India's political economy, change is defined by Newton's laws of physics. The inertia, the strong political consensus for weak reforms, is dislodged only by external force. As chronicled in my book *Accidental India*, the transformation of India from penury to prosperity came in the wake of change propelled by a series of crises.

India is at the cusp of a *carpe diem* moment. Trumponomics has upended the global economy into a crisis. The confounding tactics of US President Donald J Trump could well be the Newtonian external force. There is a rising chorus that India must not waste the crisis. The question is what can and must be done.

The need is to move beyond motherhood and apple pie, postpone the yen for big-bang reforms and dollarise change by addressing the friction holding back India. The crux should be to look at the processes, the entrenched inefficiencies which make India uncompetitive and the costs these impose on the economy.

The trouble with the design of reforms is that, often, governmentsdilute the call for essential freedoms into deemed concessions. While the focus is on the Centre, the bulk of next-gen reforms are with the states, which control factors of productivity. The Economic Survey of 2024-25 lists critical areas—land, construction, labour, utilities and logistics—where the states control standards and permits, and impose rules and penalties. These mandates are stranded in the past.

The promise of ease of doing business is now a decade old. Setting up a company is easier, but the processes have scarcely changed. Three decades after licence raj was dismantled, permission raj thrives. Enterprises setting up a factory, power plant, hotel or hospital must get over 100 permissions. Once they are running—as Rishi Agrawal, CEO of Avantis Regtech, pointed out—entrepreneurs have to deal with 1,536 laws, 69,233 compliances and 6,618 filings. Then there is the inspector raj. A study by Agrawal and Gautam Chikermane reveals that there are 843 laws with 26,134 compliances that host the threat of imprisonment.

India's tax landscape inhibits investment, production and consumption. Take the goods and services tax. The late Arun Jaitley, while introducing the GST in 2017, said, "Let the best not be the enemy of the good." Nearly eight years later, it is an incomplete edifice mired in complexities of rates and compliances. Last month, the parliamentary Public Accounts Committee demanded a redesigned GST 2.0. The system, the committee observed, is "riddled with so many issues, the vision of GST leading to a simplified and unified tax system, that is 'One Nation, One Tax', may remain evasive".

The spectre in the direct tax domain is not dissimilar. Frequently fluctuating interpretations have spawned the spectacle of pending litigation. In July 2024, the government abolished the angel tax on start-ups. In March 2025, start-ups funded via Singapore received notices, triggering a buzz about the return of the tax despite clarifications by the Central Board of Direct Taxes . Elsewhere, multinationals complain bitterly about tax demands. All this has added to litigation. In 2017, there were 3.6 lakh appeals pending with the Commissioner of Income Tax and appellate tribunal. In 2025, there are 621,000 tax appeals pending, involving ₹29.79 lakh crore.

Energy is a critical input—its availability and affordability defines competitiveness. In 2020, the government began deliberations to bring power under GST. In 2025, nothing has changed. India is one of the few economies where enterprises don't get input credit for electricity. What's more, thanks to freebies and transmission and distribution losses, the industry pays up to 25 percent over the cost of electricity. The Economic Survey points out countries like Vietnam sell industry electricity at 10 percent lower than the cost of generation.

It is believed that India could gain from the current turmoil. The idea of China+1 has been hijacked by China, which now deploys transnational subsidies in countries it has invested in—for instance, on steel mills in Indonesia. Success calls for a study of opportunities and centralisation of policy, as Japan did under *Tsusho sangyo sho* or METI, or South Korea did with MOTIE. On the other hand, India's use of quality control orders has often put smaller enterprises at a disadvantage.

The use of production-linked incentives must expand to include capital goods. India imports machinery worth over $120 billion and equipment such as cranes for infrastructure ambitions. India could also consider collaborating to produce abroad and import duty-free for domestic use. Why not invest in and tap the phosphate reserves in Morocco, draw gas from Gabon to produce fertiliser or other energy-intensive items elsewhere to bring down costs and offshore carbon footprint?

Above all, India needs to build a war chest of resources for the crisis. This is the moment to leverage public sector assets—shift state holdings in PSUs above 51 percent into a sovereign Amrit Kaal Fund on the lines of GIC of Singapore—list, divest and monetise to fund industrial expansion.

Reforms also require political capital—the bonfire of vanities holding India back. The phrase '*carpe diem*' was popularised by the Roman poet Horace. Horace ends his *Odes* with a profound verse: "While we talk, envious time will have fled: pluck the day, trusting as little as possible to the future." Or else, all this could well end up as a hype-fest of hopes.

THE CHANGING ALGORITHM OF TERROR

OPINION

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THE sanguine saga of the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks, the successful extradition of its mastermind Tahawwur Hussain Rana—more than 16 years after the heinous crime—and his subsequent arrest by the National Investigation Agency make for a fascinating thread in bringing out the rot in the Indian administrative-political system and the perceptible change it's undergoing.

First, let's recall. During 2008, terror groups were hitting India without a break. The fateful year opened with a deadly strike on the CRPF camp in Rampur, Uttar Pradesh, attributed to Lashkar-e-Taiba. It was followed by nine more terror attacks by October-end. On October 30, before noon, several markets in Assam were rocked by deadly explosions. Eighteen bombs went off, claiming 81 lives and leaving 470 injured. Succinctly put, bomb blasts and the resulting mayhem were the new normals.

But what followed in November would overshadow all such terror acts—in India and the rest of the world—in terms of the sheer incredulity of its planning, coordination, brutality, the number of human lives lost and the excruciating trauma it caused its victims and the rest of India. The macabre drama lasted four days—November 26 to 29—and was marked by anxiety and palpable nervousness all over the country.

While the security forces grappled with the terrorists ensconced in various locations in Mumbai, all of India was seething with an impotent rage, mortified embarrassment and insecurity. The ordinary Indian was spooked; he realised how vulnerable and helpless his country was in the face of organised Islamic terror.

Ten terrorists from the Pakistan-based outfit Lashkar-e-Taiba, with logistical and tactical support from the Pakistani military and its intelligence agency ISI, infiltrated Mumbai via the sea route under the cover of darkness on November 26. The system was compromised as fully armed desperadoes managed to sneak into their target locations without any questions asked. Over the subsequent three days, the infiltrators coordinated attacks at eight key locations, including the iconic Taj Hotel and Chhatrapati Shivaji railway terminus.

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Eventually, nine of the 10 terrorists were neutralised by Indian forces, while one—Ajmal Kasab—was captured alive due to the supreme sacrifice of Mumbai police constable Tukaram Omble. Kasab was later convicted of waging war against India, sentenced to death, and executed in 2012. The Mumbai onslaught claimed 166 innocent lives, including 24 foreigners. Over 300 people were injured.

Two individuals—Canadian citizen Rana and American David Coleman Headley, both of Pakistani parentage—were used by their Pakistani handlers to plan and execute the Mumbai terror episode.

The US authorities arrested Headley and Rana for plotting strikes in India and Denmark. While Headley pleaded guilty and turned approver, providing a detailed account of the 26/11 conspiracy, Rana continued to deny knowledge of any terror activities.

In 2011, Rana was convicted in a US court of conspiracy to support terrorism in the Denmark plot and of providing material support to Lashkar-e-Taiba. Earlier, India had been granted access to interrogate Headley, who was convicted in this case and is currently serving a 35-year prison sentence in the US. India had long sought Rana's extradition. In 2020, the NIA formally requested it, citing his involvement in the 26/11 conspiracy.

This sordid episode raises several disturbing questions. Why did the terrorists have a free run all these years, mostly from 1993 onwards? We must not forget that on March 12, 1993, Mumbai was rocked by 13 car bombs that left 257 dead and 1,400 injured. Four days later, Kolkata was devastated by bomb explosions. Then onwards, it was a never-ending trail of blood and death. Between the Mumbai blasts of 1993 and 26/11, the country suffered over 50 terror strikes.

Why was the Indian state helpless in combating terror during this period? Since 2015, barring Jammu & Kashmir, Punjab and the Maoist-affected districts, the rest of the country has largely been peaceful. Public spaces—markets, railway stations, airports and places of worship—no longer reverberate with warnings of possible terror attacks on the public address system, as was the wont earlier.

By October 2009, following Kasab's arrest and the confessions of Headley and Rana, it was established that the 26/11 attacks were the result of a coordinated effort by Lashkar-e-Taiba, the Pakistani army and ISI. Yet, shockingly, in December 2010, Congress leader and current Rajya Sabha member Digvijaya Singh launched a book titled *26/11: An RSS Conspiracy*, holding the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh responsible for the blasts.

Rakesh Maria, the then Mumbai police commissioner, wrote in his memoir, *Let Me Say It Now*, that had Kasab not been captured alive, there was a deliberate plan to attribute the 26/11 attacks to "Hindus... Kasab's body would have been found with an identity card bearing a fictitious Hindu name".

Pakistan hatching a conspiracy to raise a bogey of 'Hindu terror'—to cover its gory tracks and to set 'secular Hindus' against 'communal' Hindus—to push the country into the vortex of civil strife is understandable. But why should any Indian become an accomplice of such machination?

There was a method in the UPA's madness. It was partly motivated by a desire to court the Muslim vote bank. The other part of this gameplan was to concoct a 'Hindu/saffron terror' paradigm, paste it on the BJP-RSS, turn these two organisations into global pariahs and wreck political vendetta on them without looking bad or undemocratic.

The 26/11 terror attack was not the only instance where facts were manipulated. On October 27, 2013, when a series of eight bomb blasts in Patna targeted the then Gujarat chief minister and BJP's prime ministerial candidate Narendra Modi—resulting in six fatalities—senior Congress leaders, including Digvijaya Singh, indirectly held the BJP responsible.

A similar narrative was constructed in the February 14, 1998 Coimbatore serial blasts, where 12 explosions intended to target BJP stalwart L K Advani killed 58 people. In that case, too, the Congress chose to blame the RSS-BJP despite an explicit jihadist nature of the attack.

Isn't the term 'saffron terror' a red herring to divert attention from the actual perpetrators—who preach and practice terror as a part of their ideological framework and consider violence a legitimate tool to achieve their objective? *(Views are personal)*

WHEN THE FASHION POLICE GO ON PATROL

REVERSE SWING

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WE live in interesting times when originality is an increasingly contested word in art, fashion and music. But are fashion battles worth fighting in courts? Delhi-based fashion designer Anupamaa Dayal is suing a South American apparel brand, Rapsodia, on the grounds that it has plagiarised her designs. The designer's label, named after herself, emphasises hand-printing and needlecraft using Indian motifs. Argentina-based Rapsodia's website has been blocked in India following the dispute, but the ensuing legal battle would be an interesting one to watch.

Research into the messy field of fashion design makes one wonder if courts are the right place for those who would rather be celebrated on catwalks. Intellectual property is a tricky business, more so when it involves subjective aesthetic ideas like design and beauty, unlike, say, pharma formulations. Fashion fights involve financial costs that may not justify a legal challenge. You are damned if you do and damned if you don't.

Dayal says her designs were copied "in totality" and wants suitable compensation, along with an apology.

Fashion products are governed by copyright laws that protect original artistic works including fashion design as 'graphic art'. That intersects with the Designs Act passed in 2000, under which a copyright is lost when you go for a registered design. Copyright is more for unique works, not mass-produced items. Fashionable clothes worn by a large number of people can fall between the two stools of aesthetics and utility.

In 2016, leading designer Ritu Kumar, who runs a brand called Ritika, fought with rival Biba Apparels, saying her copyright had been infringed in a set of ensembles. Biba said the products were industrial and copyright laws did not apply. The court ruled that Ritika's copyrights had expired anyway. You could liken this to many Indian pharma companies that wait for blockbuster drugs to go off-patent after a period to make their generic imitations.

The Designs Act covers a product's pattern, configuration, ornaments, colours and shape, and applies to an entire ensemble, not just individual features. Design rights enjoy a 10-year shelf life and can be renewed. But things are not easy to prove and there are quite a few intersectional grey areas.

The fashion industry's plight seems at variance with music's, in which remixing a song requires approval from the original creator. Section 14 of the Copyright Act 1957 provides omnibus rights to original owners, including translation, development, reproduction and communication. Remixes are derivatives and identified clearly as such.

It seems such privilege doesn't extend to fashion. But wholesale design theft seems worth waging a legal battle for.

Things are getting murkier for designers in an increasingly complex world. For some, it may spell more opportunity, whereas for others it screams threat. Social media and the internet have made it easy for anyone to be "inspired" and do some copycat stuff that is not easily policeable. In this, trademark rights are separate from design. Fashion patrol, usually an expression to describe those who separate the hot from the cool in the business of aesthetic dressing, may now require a less enchanting species like web design/copyright crawlers to spot copycats.

When fashion designers sue others alleging theft of ideas, they trigger a hatful of worries about originality, legality and viability. They can learn lessons from music and software

Then there are the legal fees. Officially, global conventions such as the TRIPS agreement and organisations like the World Trade Organization offer avenues for redress. But anyone who has heard enough lawyer jokes would know it might be easier to drop a case against a rival designer than pay one's legal counsel.

It is getting more complicated with the rise of artificial intelligence, which is giving sleepless nights to creative people the world over. As the automated generation of anything and everything—from voice and graphics to words and the likeness of paintings—becomes easier, the lines between law and creativity get increasingly blurred. Non-human actors seeking intellectual property rights is a new frontier that lawmakers need to recognise soon.

I recently generated what I thought was some awesome artwork by using AI engines. It was as easy as entering the right search string on Google. AI may do to visual design what the Industrial Revolution did to artisanal products. The street consumer is unlikely to acknowledge the intellectual nuances.

Fashion law case studies point to wrangling on nuanced points—from the partial use of visual identifiers of leading brands to distribution issues on designer products, apart from copyright vs registered design wrangles. Fashion designers are better off knowing the difference between originality that craves appreciation or awards, and creativity that generates sales.

It is difficult to imagine something like the 'copyleft' movement in the software industry. Copyleft licences like the GNU General Public License and Creative Commons mandate that derivative works or modifications of an original should also be distributed under the same conditions or a compatible licence, ensuring the freedom to use, modify and redistribute. Such teamwork could work well for, say, socially conscious fair trade or sustainable fashion folks, but not for designers who want more butter on their bread.

Picking a leaf off Bollywood producers, fashion designers may be better off thinking about the publicity a court case might generate for their brands than the compensatory gains from protracted legal wrangles. That would be a reverse swing worth betting on.

(Views are personal)

QUOTE CORNER

Multipolarity is not a correct description anymore. Because 'pole' means that other countries, minor countries, gravitate towards you. And the main idea today for any country—bigger ones, smaller ones—is not to be gravitated by force.

Fyodor Lukyanov, editor-in-chief of Russia in Global Affairs, to Peter Slezkine, director of the US-Russia-China Trialogue at the Stimson Center, US

The tariffs have been significantly larger than anticipated. The same is likely of the economic effects, which will include higher inflation and slower growth.

Jerome Powell, chairman of the US Federal Reserve, at an interaction at the Economic Club of Chicago

I absolutely hated my name when I was a kid... All I wanted was to have a girly name like Violet or Lavender, like a pretty, flowery name.

Billie Eilish, 23-year-old singer-songwriter who has won nine Grammys

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RSS continuity

Ref: *RSS at 100: Continuity amid change* (Apr 19). It's laudable that the RSS has turned 100 while wading steadfast through the turbulent waters of Indian politics. What is outstanding is that the RSS-trained political leaders of the day are extremely successful in carrying forth their mother organisation's ideology while accommodating the urges arising out of a spasmodic society.

Doddi Vishnu Sankara Rao, Hyderabad

Research reversal

Ref: *The war on science in Trump's America* (Apr 19). The predicament of science in the US should be perturbing for all. A robust basic science system developed over a century led to major breakthroughs. The same ecosystem is now in jeopardy now due to severe restrictions on funding and academic freedom, the factors that fuelled a brain drain from India.

Katragadda Sarveswara Rao, Bhubaneswar

Factoring backwardness

Ref: *Don't court castes in name of social justice* (Apr 19). The caste factor is being increasingly weaponised to derive political advantages. Social justice does not flow from caste divisions alone. It is high time that economic criterions gain ascendency while delivering justice to the languishing segments. Rural poverty needs holistic efforts to be ameliorated. Precious time and energy are being wasted on the caste factor alone.

Rajarao Kumar, Bengaluru

Follow Constitution

Ref: *Oppn lights into N-missile V-P broadside against SC* (Apr 19). Nobody is above the Constitution of India in our parliamentary democracy, where the people are supreme. The president and vice-president are also answerable to the public. It seems that rule makers are acting as rule breakers, as if to echo the saying 'what happens when the fence eats the crop'. We have to keep the independence of the judiciary.

A Sreeramarao, Visakhapatnam

Judicial independence

Ref: *Oppn lights into N-missile V-P broadside against SC* (Apr 19). Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar's criticism of the Supreme Court's use of Article 142 in directing the president on bill assent timelines is unwanted. The court's ruling rightly ensured ascendancy of the democratic will of the state legislature. Dhankhar's claim that this undermines the president's role ignores the judiciary's mandate. His inflammatory rhetoric risks eroding judicial independence and raises concerns about the possible intention to control the courts.

K J Haroon Basha, Vaniyambadi

Going overboard

Ref: *Sacred thread row at CET* (Apr 19). This episode made for a shocking read. What sort of a malpractice can happen with a sacred thread? It is beyond comprehension. The over-enthusiastic official who went overboard to deny entry to the unfortunate boy into an exam hall must be taken to task, as a deterrent for such incidents in the future.

S Vaithianathan, Madurai

Madrasa crisis

Ref: *Uttarakhand government shuts down over 173 madrasas* (Apr 15). Thousands of students are studying in madrasas where nutritious food and good accommodation are not provided. They are also deprived of a standard level of hygiene. This is a serious problem that requires special attention from the religious institutions and their authorities. We cannot dream of a healthy and educated nation unless students are provided with good food, clean environment and basic facilities.

Qeyamuddin Qasmi Nepal, Mumbai

Online protests

Ref: *Trump administration takes aim at Harvard's international students and tax-exempt status* (Apr 18). An educational institution should keep political affiliations outside the campus and focus on studies. However, students and teachers can form their own websites off-campus to present and debate their views, because democracy implies action by, for and of the people.

PVP Madhu Nivriti, Secunderabad

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POSTS OF THE DAY

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This World Liver Day, take a pledge to reduce your edible oil intake by at least 10% and embrace a healthier lifestyle. Small changes can lead to big results when we treat food as medicine

Rahul Gandhi @RahulGandhi

Nehru didn't teach us politics - he taught us to confront fear ...gave Indians courage to resist oppression and claim freedom. His greatest legacy lies in his relentless pursuit of truth

Akhilesh Yadav @yadavakhilesh

The 'pichde-Dalit-Adivasi' movement of 'self-respect' that started from Agra will ensuring social justice by forming 'its own government' and will be recorded in political history

● Modi, Crown Prince to co-chair strategic council meet ● PM to visit Croatia, Norway, Netherlands

India, Saudi to boost energy, defence ties

The visit offers an opportunity to elevate the India-Saudi relationship to a new level, especially in energy sector, where we are aiming to add a strategic dimension

Vikram Misri, Foreign Secretary

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi will embark on a two-day visit to Saudi Arabia from April 22. He was invited by Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman. The visit aims to deepen cooperation in key sectors such as defence, energy and trade. This will be his first trip to the Kingdom in his third term.

They will co-chair the second meeting of the India-Saudi Arabia Strategic Partnership Council. The first meeting was held in New Delhi during the Crown Prince's state visit in September 2023 for the G20 Summit.

"This visit offers an opportunity to elevate the India-Saudi relationship to a new level, especially in energy cooperation, where we are aiming to add a strategic dimension," Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri said.

Saudi Arabia, India's fifth largest trading partner and home to 2.7 million, plays a pivotal role in the global energy landscape. Misri also highlighted Riyadh's growing influence in regional and world affairs.

"This is a very important opportunity to compare notes on several issues of mutual concern in the relation to the regional situation and global developments," Misri said.

Misri added that the evolving situation in West Asia, particularly the Israel-Palestine conflict, would feature prominently in the bilateral discussions.

"On the situation in West Asia and the current state of affairs between Israel and Palestine, we've seen developments that are certainly of concern. Saudi Arabia plays a very important role in addressing this issue," he noted.

Several MoUs are expected to be signed in energy, technology among others. In 2023–24, bilateral trade between India and Saudi Arabia reached $42.98 billion, with Indian exports worth $11.56 billion and imports amounting to $31.42 billion.

5th largest trading partner

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After Vance's visit, focus shifts to Europe

Historic stop in Croatia

PM Modi's European itinerary is likely to begin with a historic stop in Croatia, marking the first-ever visit by an Indian PM to the Adriatic nation.

₹63K crore deal on Rafale M

India may host French Defence Minister Sebastien Lecornu in early May. His visit is set to finalise the ₹63,000 crore Rafale M deal for 26 naval fighter jets.

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

FOLLOWING US Vice President **J D Vance**'s visit from April 21 to 23, Indian diplomatic engagements will shift its focus to Europe next month. There will be high-level engagements, led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi's three-nation tour to Croatia, Norway, and the Netherlands in May. The highlight will be his participation in the third India-Nordic Summit on May 15 in Oslo.

Modi's European itinerary is likely to begin with a historic stop in Croatia, marking the first-ever visit by an Indian PM to the Adriatic nation. The visit is aimed at enhancing economic ties, particularly in the context of the India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor.

In Norway, Modi will attend the India-Nordic Summit with leaders from Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden. The summit will focus on expanding cooperation in trade, innovation, renewable energy, climate change, and sustainable development. Norway has ratified the India-EFTA (European Free Trade Association), trade pact, known as TEPA, Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement.

The bilateral discussions with Norway will also touch on Arctic cooperation, maritime industries, and UN Security Council reform, where Norway backs India's bid for permanent membership, sources said.

Modi recently had telephonic converstion with both Danish Prime Minister M Mette Frederiksen and Finnish President Alexander Stubb, highlighting the summit's importance. The final leg of the trip takes the PM to the Netherlands, where he last visited in 2017. The visit is expected to enhance the strategic partnership, particularly in water management, and strengthen already robust trade relations.

MEHUL CHOKSI

WHEN 'RAJ' ESCAPE RUN CHOK-ED

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ONCE a leading figure in India's diamond industry, Mehul Choksi is now infamous as the mastermind behind one of the country's largest banking frauds and is currently facing extradition from Belgium to India.

Born in Mumbai in 1959 and educated in Gujarat, Choksi inherited his father's diamond business and transformed it into the global Gitanjali Group. Known for his flamboyant lifestyle, he lived with his wife Preeti and their three children in luxury — while orchestrating what would become a ₹13,500 crore scam that shook India's financial sector.

The burly businessman expanded Gitanjali Gems into a retail powerhouse with over 4,000 outlets across India and abroad. Celebrities such as Aishwarya Rai, Kareena Kapoor, and Katrina Kaif endorsed his brand, helping it gain aspirational value among Indian consumers.

International expansion followed, with partnerships across the US, Europe, Japan, and the West Asia. However, behind the glitz, financial mismanagement and fraudulent practices were beginning to unravel.

In early 2018, Punjab National Bank, India's second-largest lender, reported it had been defrauded to the tune of ₹13,500 crore. The scam involved fraudulent Letters of Undertaking and Foreign Letters of Credit, issued by bribed bank officials at the Brady House branch in Mumbai. These instruments, essentially bank guarantees, were never recorded in the bank's core systems, allowing Choksi and his nephew Nirav Modi to siphon off massive sums over years.

Choksi fled India in January 2018, just days before the scandal broke. His escape was calculated — he had already secured citizenship of Antigua and Barbuda in 2017 through their Citizenship by Investment Programme, anticipating the fallout. At the time, Antigua had no extradition treaty with India, making it a safe haven. Indian authorities, including the CBI and ED, initiated legal proceedings, attaching properties and freezing accounts. By December 2024, assets worth ₹2,566 crore linked to Choksi and his associates were recovered or auctioned.

Despite Interpol withdrawing its Red Corner Notice in 2023, India kept on renewing the extradition requests. In the meantime, Choksi quietly relocated to Antwerp, Belgium — a city with deep ties to the diamond trade. His legal team maintained that his move was due to health concerns, but Indian authorities viewed it as yet another attempt to evade justice.

In 2021, he vanished from Antigua and resurfaced in Dominica under mysterious circumstances, allegedly trying to escape to Cuba by boat. He claimed he was abducted from Antigua as part of a honey-trap. His wife alleged Hungarian national Barbara Jabarika was involved. Barbara rejected the accusations, calling herself Choksi's "girlfriend". She said she had her own business, and didn't rely on him for money, fake jewelry, or anything else. "Raj (Mehul Choksi) was the one who approached me, asked for my number, and initiated the friendship," Barbara stated. He was detained for illegally entering the country and spent 51 days in custody. Though the Indian government sought his deportation, Dominican courts ruled otherwise, allowing him to return to Antigua. By 2024, he was once again on the move — this time to Belgium with his spouse.

Choksi's downfall began around 2013, when market volatility, falling share prices, and stricter regulations exposed cracks in Gitanjali's foundations. The regulator SEBI banned the company from trading, and Choksi responded by downsizing operations, laying off employees, and shutting international stores. But it was the PNB fraud that sealed his fate. Alongside Nirav Modi, he had exploited systemic loopholes to manipulate banks and investors. Their actions revived bitter memories of previous financial scams, like that of Harshad Mehta in the 1990s.

Choksi is seen as both a symbol of unchecked corporate greed a regulatory oversight failure. From a diamond mogul who dazzled Bollywood to a fugitive trying to dodge extradition laws, Choksi's story is a stark reminder that even the brightest success stories can collapse under the long-arm of the law.

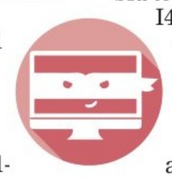
NEWSMAKER

Be alert against online booking scams targeting pilgrims, tourists: MHA

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

THE Ministry of Home Affairs' (MHA) cyber security arm I4C on Saturday issued a nationwide alert about a sharp rise in online booking frauds, mostly targeting religious pilgrims and unsuspecting tourists.

Officials said the Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C) said that the cyber frauds are noticed to be executed through fake websites, social media pages, WhatsApp accounts and sponsored advertisements on platforms like Google and Facebook.



A senior MHA official said, "The I4C has alerted the public about online booking frauds, especially those targeting religious pilgrims and tourists across the country."

According to I4C, these scams lure victims with offers like helicopter bookings for Kedarnath and the Char Dham yatra, guest house and hotel accommodations, online cab or taxi services, and religious tourism packages, they said.

Even as such websites and their profiles apparently look legitimate, users, who make payments, often receive no confirmation or service, and are unable to contact the service providers afterwards.

"To protect citizens, I4C urges the public to remain vigilant and verify the authenticity of websites before making any payments. It asked the public to be cautious while clicking on sponsored or unfamiliar links on Google, Facebook, or WhatsApp and use only official government websites or trusted travel agencies for bookings," the official said.

It is also informed that in a bid to counter the menace, the I4C is employing a multi-pronged strategy like scam signal exchange with intermediaries like Google, WhatsApp, and Facebook to flag and remove suspicious content; enforcement under which identification of cybercrime hotspots and coordination with state and UT police for local action; and cyber patrolling to detect and takedown of fake sites, the officials said.

They added that the agency is also considering provisioning hassle-free reporting through a feature on the cybercrime portal, which now allows quick verification and reporting of suspicious websites.

FIR can be filed 10 yrs after crime in different place: SC

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court has dismissed the plea filed by a Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) in Bihar, Somesh Kumar Mishra, against whom a First Information Report (FIR) was registered after a 10-year delay at a location where the alleged crime did not occur.

He questioned why the FIR was registered outside of the place where the crime was supposedly committed, particularly since the prosecution claimed the offence took place in Delhi. A two-judge bench of Justices Dipankar Datta and Manmohan refused to quash the FIR filed against Mishra.

Mishra had previously filed a Special Leave Petition (SLP) in the Supreme Court after the Patna High Court denied his request to quash the FIR in 2022. Now, Mishra will have to face the trial in Bhagalpur after the SC rejected his plea. He has been chargesheeted by the investigating agency under 376 (Rape) of the IIPC.

According to the prosecution, the petitioner, Mishra, is accused of forcibly raping the victim between the years 2009 and 2012, at gunpoint.

Lawyer Shailendra Mani Tripathi, appearing for Mishra, told this newspaper that, surprisingly, the FIR was lodged in 2020, after 10 years of the commission of Crime (if any) and that too in Bihar.

In his plea, Mishra stated that the survivor first mailed her complaint to Bihar police academy Rajgir in 2019. The complaint was then forwarded by DIG cum Deputy Director to Additional DGP (Headquarters) in Patna, seeking an inquiry report within a week.

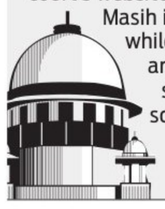
The probe was conducted and the survivor was called to the police academy Rajgir to participate. On January 25, 2020, the woman, with her husband, appeared before the sexual harassment committee at Bihar police academy Rajgir and informed that the incident happened a decade earlier.

The plea states that thereafter instead of lodging the FIR at the place of occurrence of the offence, the DIG cum Deputy Director Bihar police academy, Nalanda on March 16, 2020, directed SP, Bhagalpur to lodge an FIR in Bhagalpur at the instance of the survivor. Finally, on March 20, 2020, an FIR was registered.

Mishra claimed that the sexual harassment committee, Bihar Police Academy, Rajgir, had not given him any opportunity to defend himself. He was arrested on November 12, 2020, but was granted bail on December 14 the same year.

ALSO IN TOP COURT

SC to hear plea on hate crime compensations



The court is scheduled to hear on April 23 a plea seeking uniformity in granting compensation to the victims of hate crime and mob lynching. As per the cause list of April 23 on the top court's website, a bench of Justices B R Gavai and Augustine George Masih is slated to hear the matter. The court in April 2023, while hearing the plea by the 'Indian Muslim for Progress and Reforms', had sought responses from the Centre, states and UTs on the steps taken for formulating a scheme for providing relief to the families of victims of mob lynching, as directed by the apex court in the 2018 verdict in Tehseen Poonawala case.

NATIONAL SECURITY

Reserve posts in police for Agniveers, states told

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

WITH 2026 going to be the first exit year for Agniveers after completing their four-year tenure in the armed forces, the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has written to the states to prepare for reserving seats for such military-trained youth in their police forces as part of future recruitments.

According to officials, Union Home Minister Amit Shah has written letters to the chief ministers and the Union Home Secretary Govind Mohan to the chief secretaries in this regard. The officials said that the states have been sensitised on the need to provide employment opportunities for approximately 75 per cent Agniveers, who will transition out of the armed forces after completing four years of scheduled tenure.

In their communications, the Home Minister and the Home Secretary highlighted that military-trained exiting Agniveers would be most suitable for their roles in the state-level law enforcement agencies, they said.

"As you are aware...75 per cent strength of the first batch of Agniveers will be completing four years under the Agnipath scheme and coming out in the year 2026," a senior official of a state said, quoting the letter. "Therefore, we would like to request you...for providing employment opportunities and other benefits to the ex-Agniveers by reserving vacancies for their recruitment in the state police."

As per the Agnipath scheme brought in by the central government, only 25 per cent of the total intake each year will be absorbed by the armed forces and the rest will exit to get different jobs outside.

According to the plan announced earlier by the MHA, the Central Armed Police Forces will give 10 per cent quota in their recruitments to Agniveers, the officials said, adding that if the states decide to give 15-20 per cent quota, close to 50 per cent Agniveers would be absorbed in police forces.

"The move to sensitise the states indicates the government's resolve to institutionalise the Agnipath scheme by providing a post-service pathway for Agniveers," an official said. When launched in 2022, the scheme drew a lot of criticism.

The scheme, which offers short-term military service to youth aged between 17.5 and 21 years, promises skill development and post-service support. But the transition back to civilian life continues to be a matter of concern for many.

"Now, with the letters to the states, the MHA intends to bring in uniformity in the efforts made by them ahead of 2026, the first year of Agniveers' exit from the military service," the official said. "The ministry hopes for a positiveresponse to ensure smooth reintegration of the trained youth," he said.

Employment for 75 per cent Agniveers

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BrahMos export: Second battery of missile shipped out for Philippines

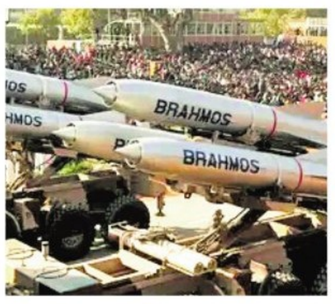
MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

THE second battery of the BrahMos cruise missile has been moved out for the Philippines, marking a milestone in Indian defence exports.

"The second battery of the missile has been sent in a ship this time," a defence source said, confirming the development. "The first battery was sent in April 2024 in an IAF aircraft, with support coming from civil aircraft agencies. The long-haul flight carrying the heavy load was a non-stop six-hour journey before the equipment reached the western parts of the Philippines," the source said.

The deal with the Philippines was announced in January 2022 for the supply of the BrahMos supersonic cruise missile, making it the country's first major defence export order.

As reported by this newspaper, the Philippines Department of National Defence issued the 'Notice of Award' to India's BrahMos Aerospace Private Limited, approving a $374.96 million (₹2,700 crore) contract for the purchase of a shore-based anti-ship missile system (SBASMS) from India.



As per the initial deal, the Philippines will get three batteries for the missile system, which has a range of 290 kilometres and a speed of 2.8 Mach (around 3,400 kms, thrice the speed of sound). The deal also encompassed training for operators and the necessary integrated logistics support package.

The operator training for the missile system was conducted in February 2023 for 21 personnel of the Philippine Navy. The training focused on the operations and maintenance of some of the most important logistics packages of SBASMS to be delivered to the Philippines.

Also, as reported first by this newspaper, in January this year Indonesia's defence ministry sent a letter regarding a $450 million BrahMos deal to the Indian embassy in Jakarta. India has been in talks with Indonesia, Thailand, and a few other nations that have shown interest in the system.

The BrahMos missile can be launched from submarines, ships, aircraft or land. According to sources, the missile —a collaboration between India and Russia—is undergoing a process where 83% of its components are being indigenised.

RUNAWAY

After about 48 hours of interrogation and counselling, police in Aligarh have released a 39-year-old woman and her daughter's fiance with whom she had eloped recently.

2 DEAD AS EXCAVATOR SKIDS INTO GORGE IN HP's SHIMLA

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Chennai	33	29	Port Blair	29	26
Kolkata	33	28	Imphal	27	19
Srinagar	15	07	Chandigarh	34	20

Thackeray cousins hint at Maha Marathi reunion

Both say ready to set aside trivial fights for larger interest of the state

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

ESTRANGED cousins Raj Thackeray and Uddhav Thackeray have hinted that they can come together for the larger interest of Marathi manoos and Maharashtra, fueling speculation about a possible political alliance that could reshape the state's political landscape.

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The buzz strengthened when Uddhav on Saturday said he is ready to put aside trivial fights provided that those working against Maharashtra's interests will not be entertained, a veiled reference to Raj hosting Shiv Sena head and Deputy CM Eknath Shinde at his residence.

In an interview with actor-director Mahesh Manjrekar's podcast, Raj said he had no issues working with Uddhav when they were in the undivided Shiv Sena. "For a bigger cause, our fights and issues are trivial. Maharashtra is very big. For Maharashtra, the existence of Marathi manoos, these fights are very trivial. I don't think it is a difficult task to come together and stay united. But the issue is of desire," he said. Speaking at a Sena (UBT) workers' rally, Uddhav said, "I am also ready to put aside trivial issues and I appeal to everyone to come together for the sake of Marathi manoos." Without naming Raj, he said had the latter opposed businesses from Maharashtra going to Gujarat, a government caring for the interests of Maharashtra would have been formed in Delhi and Maharashtra.

"It cannot be that (you) support (BJP during Lok Sabha polls), then oppose (during assembly polls) and again compromise. This cannot happen," said Uddhav.

"First decide that whoever works against the interests of Maharashtra will not be welcomed at home, you will not go to their homes and break bread with them. Then talk about the interests of Maharashtra," he added.

During the Lok Sabha polls, Raj had announced unconditional support to Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Uddhav further said he was ready to set aside minor disagreements. "I am saying I don't have fights with anyone, and if any, I am resolving them. But decide on this first," he said.

Rapprochement on the cards for Raj and Uddhav?

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WAQF PROTESTS

Guv reaches Murshidabad, meets victims

SULAGNA SENGUPTA @ Kolkata

WEST Bengal Governor CV Ananda Bose on Saturday met with the families of victims who lost their lives during the communal violence triggered by protests against the anti-Waqf Act in Murshidabad district. He assured them of all possible support.

In addition to Bose, the chairperson of the National Commission for Women, Vijay Rahatkar, also visited the displaced people in the trouble-torn district and pledged assistance. The victims expressed their concern to Governor Bose, urging him to instruct the Border Security Force to set up a camp in the district until the situation stabilizes.

The bodies of Harogobindo Das and Chandan Das were discovered in their respective homes in the Jafrabad locality of Shamsherganj, each showing multiple stab wounds. "The Governor visited their home, spoke with the family members, and assured them of support. They have requested a CBI investigation into the murders," a Raj Bhavan official stated. The Governor also plans to visit other areas affected by the violence, including Dhulian, Suti, and Jangipur.

At least three people, including a father and son, died, and over 274 individuals have been arrested in connection with the unrest that occurred in the Muslim-majority areas from April 8 to 12. Before heading to Shamsherganj, Bose spoke with some affected families at a guest house in Farakka, according to the official.

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Raj Bhavan official

Mithun bats for Prez rule, says deploy military

SULAGNA SENGUPTA @ Kolkata

BJP leader and actor Mithun Chakraborty created another controversy after he called for the imposition of the President's Rule in West Bengal in the wake of deadly violence in Murshidabad. He also demanded that the military be deployed in the state.

He further criticised the Bengal Police and said, "Whenever there's a riot or disturbance, they just bring a chair, sit down, and watch like it's a performance. And once it's over, they pack up their chairs and go home. That's their job. Eyes closed, everything ignored."

Mithun also said, "If Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee really wanted to act, she could have done it earlier. But so far, she hasn't even said anything. Anyway, that's a different matter. In Bengal right now, the Sanatanis, Christians, Sikhs — all our brothers — are not going to vote for the TMC. Their time is over now." According to Chakraborty, Banerjee won't speak against minorities (Muslims) as it will fetch her votes in the Assembly polls scheduled to be held in 2026.

Mithun said "I believe the Waqf Bill is just an excuse. It was used as a cover. The real agenda lies elsewhere, and that's why the riots happened. Now, who's behind it? Madam (Mamata Banerjee) keeps saying she won't allow the land to be taken, she won't let this happen. Why does she keep making such statements? I don't know if she considers herself above the President. But she's not, right? She's just the CM."

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Govt employee or not? Mahayuti's new dilemma

There's never a dull day in Maharashtra, thanks in no small part to the Mahayuti government. Several ministers in the Cabinet recommended their personal staff, including personal assistants and officials on special duty, to the General Administration Department for appointment. However, the appointment of many staffers is still pending. Meanwhile, they have continued performing their duties without an appointment letter. The episode has sparked buzz about a rift in the alliance. Besides, a question arises — Who will arrange the salaries for these staff members, who have not been appointed as government employees?

A happy and Pawar-ful family gathering

All politics and acrimony aside, the Pawars put up a united front as they recently gathered for the engagement ceremony of Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar's son Jay. Sharad Pawar and Supriya Sule's presence on the occasion signalled that their personal ties have remained intact despite the difference in political affiliations. The spectacle made it seem that all was hunky-dory. It is believed that Ajit had himself extended an invite to his 84-year-old uncle Sharad. Before Jay got engaged, he is said to have sought Pawar Sr's blessings. Though Ajit had split from his uncle in 2023, it seems like they still get along.

Raj's short-lived push for imposition of Marathi

Raj Thackeray and his overzealous MNS workers have gone into overdrive to ensure that every soul who lives in Maharashtra speaks Marathi. Woe betide anyone who is not conversant in the language. His party workers recently roughed up some bank employees for refusing to speak Marathi. The BJP top brass has reportedly taken a serious view of the dogmatic imposition of Marathi, as it antagonises the party's north Indian voter base. The BJP leadership has told Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnavis and state party leaders to rein in the menace. Raj quickly made a U-turn and asked his party workers to refrain from violence.

Nitish misusing govt funds for campaign: RJD

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

LEADER of Opposition in the Bihar assembly Tejashwi Prasad Yadav on Saturday accused the Nitish Kumar government of indulging in gross financial irregularities to launch its political campaign in the state. At a hurriedly called press conference, Tejashwi said that the ruling party is apprehensive about returning to power after the assembly elections due later this year. So, they are "looting" the government treasury," he alleged.

He accused the NDA government of spending ~225 crore for 'Mahila Samvad', which was launched by the CM recently. Around 600 digital campaign vehicles have been brought for election campaign. Public money is being used for election campaign by the ruling alliance in the state" he added.

Tejashwi also accused the NDA government in Bihar of being involved in neck-deep corruption and claimed that even ministers in the Nitish cabinet were getting cut money from contractors in lieu of works awarded to them. "Corruption has taken the form of an institution under NDA rule in Bihar," the RJD leader said.

Nails pulled out and given electric shocks to workers for 'theft' in C'garh factory

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

THE Korba police in Chhattisgarh arrested five persons, including an ice-cream factory owner, who, along with his aides allegedly tortured two Dalit workers, pulled out their nails, thrashed and administered them electric shocks on suspicion of theft.

An official stated that Abhishek Bhambi and Vinod Bhambi, who hail from Bhilwara district in Rajasthan, were hired through a contractor to work at a Korba-based ice-cream factory owned by Chhotu Gurjar.

On April 15, Gurjar and his partner Mukesh Sharma accused the two workers of theft. Both were stripped, beaten, given electric shocks and their nails pulled out, the officer added. Somehow, the two victims managed to escape to their native Bhilwara, where they lodged a complaint at the Gulabpura police station. "The Rajasthan Police registered a "zero" FIR and forwarded the case to Korba police for further action. The FIR was lodged at around 9 am on Friday, and the Korba police swiftly acted. They arrested five of the accused by noon. They will be produced before the court. Two of those arrested are said to be the factory owner, while others are their associates. One of the accused is a minor", Siddharth Tewari, Korba district police chief, told this newspaper.

The civil lines police station in Korba registered a case against Gurjar and Sharma on Friday. In addition to the other sections of BNS, the police also slapped a section on the ST-SC Prevention of Atrocities Act against the accused.

Stripped and beaten: Victims recount ordeal

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2 ISI-backed terror modules busted in Punjab; 13 held & arms recovered

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

THE Punjab Police have nabbed 13 alleged members of two ISI-backed Khalistani terror modules that were being run from abroad and seized two rocket-propelled grenades, as many hand grenades, a couple of IEDs, 2-kg RDX, five pistols, six magazines, 44 live cartridges, one wireless and three vehicles.

Punjab Director General of Police (DGP) Gaurav Yadav said, "The terror modules, sponsored by the Pak-based ISI, were being controlled by the Babbar Khalsa International (BKI), with two key operational nodes — France-based Satnam Singh alias Satta and Greece-based Jaswinder Singh alias Mannu Agwan. Their role was earlier also figured in various operations, with the accused Satnam's role coming into notice in 2010 in the IED and RDX recovery case."

Yadav noted that by busting these modules, the Punjab police have foiled the Pak-ISI masterminded conspiracy to disturb peace and harmony in the border state.

Sharing operation details of the first module, Assistant Inspector General (CI Jalandhar) Navjot Singh Mahal said that, in an intel-based operation, police teams arrested Jagroop Singh of Basti Amritsarian in Hoshiarpur, Jatinder Singh of Daburji in Kapurthala, Harpreet Singh of Hoshiarpur and Jagjeet Singh of Kapurthala. Preliminary investigations have revealed that these accused were working on the instructions of Satnam Satta.

About the second module, Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Batala Suhail Qasim Mir said, in a week-long intelligence-led operation, police teams apprehended nine people, including a 17-year-old. The other eight arrested have been identified as Pawanpreet Singh, Balbir Kumar, Gomji, Gurpreet Singh, Ajaypal Singh, Rahul and Johanson — all residents of Batala — and Jatinder from Kapurthala.

Indian student from Punjab killed in Canada

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

A 21-year-old Indian student, Harsimrat Kaur Randhawa, hailing from Dhunda village in Goindwal Sahib of Punjab's Tarn Taran district, died in Canada after being struck by a stray bullet on Wednesday.

Harsimrat was a student of Mohawk College in Hamilton, Ontario. She was waiting at a bus stop on her way to work when someone from a passing car fired shots, striking her.

The Consulate General of India in Toronto said in a post on X Friday, "We are deeply saddened by the tragic death of Indian student Harsimrat Randhawa in Hamilton, Ontario."

The Hamilton Police have classified this as a case of homicide. They are asking anyone with dashcam or security camera footage between 7.15 pm and 7.45 pm near the shooting area to contact authorities and provide any information that can help the investigation.

Agra decked up to welcome Vance on April 23

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

US Vice-President JD Vance, who along with his wife Usha Vance is coming to India on a four-day trip commencing from April 21, will proceed on exploring the cultural landmarks of the country before engaging in political meetings at Delhi.

Vance will start his India sojourn by landing at Jaipur on Monday night. Besides exploring the cultural richness of the Rajasthan, Vance and family are set to visit Agra, the city of Taj, to witness the beauty of the monument of love, on April 23 before proceeding to Delhi for bilateral talks.

As per sources, after spending two days in Rajasthan, Vance along with his delegation will proceed to Agra on April 23 forenoon for which the state government and Agra district administration are making all-round preparations.

While the security measures for Vance's visit are being managed jointly by the Indian and US agencies, the Agra district administration will keep Taj Mahal premises and adjoining buildings close for public for three hours before the his visit.

As per the highly-placed sources, CM Yogi Adityanath is likely to welcome Vance in Agra on Wednesday. UP Tourism minister Rajveer Singh is already in Agra to supervise the arrangements for the dignitary's visit.

Prior to the visit of the US Vice President, a special contingent of US commando force would land in Agra on Tuesday, April 22.

Moreover, Taj Mahal will be closed for public three hours in advance of the visit of Vance keeping in view security concerns.

"The US Vice-President and his family will stay on the premises of Taj Mahal and witness the marvel in white marble for about one hour," an Agra official said. "The Taj Mahal will be opened for public only after the US delegation would leave the hotel ITC Mughal for Delhi."

The state government and district administration are making preparations to give a glimpse of the diverse culture by organising programmes all along the route from Kheriya Air Force base to ITC Mughal hotel, said senior officials.

They said that the intelligence agencies have already taken positions in Agra. A special contingent of US commandos will reach Agra by two special planes on April 22.

The US commandos will take positions at Taj Mahal and adjoining monuments and buildings including Agra Qila, Mehtab Bagh and other locations. There would a round-the-clock monitoring from drone. Moreover, the district administration is making the arrangements to decorate the entire route through which the US delegation would pass during their stay in Agra.

Will spend two days in Rajasthan first

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Assam has emerged as most socially equal state in country, says Himanta

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Guwahati

IN Assam, people belonging to general category and Scheduled Tribes, Scheduled Castes and Other Backward Classes have nearly the same purchasing power, Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said.

Referring to the Household Consumption Expenditure Survey data released by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Sarma said Assam has the lowest consumption inequality. He attributed this to the casteless society envisaged by Srimanta Sankardev, the 15th-16th century neo-Vaishnavite saint-reformer. "Mahapurush Srimanta Sankardev envisaged Assam as a casteless society. Thanks to his teachings, today we have the lowest consumption inequality as per @GoIStats," Sarma posted on X.

Explaining it, the CM said a general category person and a person belonging to SC/ST/OBC in Assam has nearly the same purchasing power.

Assam is followed by West Bengal, Chhattisgarh, and Andhra Pradesh as more equal states. Kerala is more unequal and it is followed by Gujarat, Punjab and Rajasthan, the ministry's data revealed. The data revealed that a general category person in Kerala spent 1.58 times more than an SC person, 1.42 times more than an ST person, and 1.24 times more than an OBC person.

There was no consumption gap between the general category people and the STs in Assam. The spending gap for the SCs was 1.01 times, while the OBCs had 0.01 times more spending power than the general category people. The survey is designed to collect information on consumption and expenditure of the households on goods and services. It provides data required to assess trends in economic well-being and determine and update the basket of consumer goods and services.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that my client intend to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property from its lawful owners viz., **1) SRI. K.THIMMA SETTY** aged about 69 years, S/o.Late.Karisetty and **2) SRI.PAWAN KUMAR.T,** aged about 32 years, S/o.Sri.K.Thimma Setty, both are residing at No.2, 4th Cross, Road, Manjunath Nagar, Raguvanahalli Gate, Kanakapura Main Road, Bengaluru-560062. The Owners represent that they are the absolute owners and have good marketable right, title and interest therein and there are no other persons have any right or claim over the Schedule Property.

Any person or persons, Banks, Financial institutions etc., having any valid right, title interest or any claim over the Schedule Property or any portions of it in any manner may with documentary evidence lodge their objection/claim/s within **15 days** from the date of this public notice with the undersigned, if no valid objections are received within the stipulated date, my client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regard to the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of lands situated at Devarahalli Village, Maralavadi Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk(Now Harohalli Taluk), Ramanagara District:

Sl. No.	Sy. No.	Extent		Owners	Boundaries			
		Acres	Guntas		East by	West by	North by	South by
1.	New Sy.No: 73/4 (Old Sy.No.73)		15	K.Thimma Shetty	Land in Sy.No:73/5	Land in Sy.No:73/3	Land in Sy No.74	Road
2.	New Sy No. 74/3 (Old No.74)	00	34	K.Thimma Shetty	Land in Sy.No:74/4	Land in Sy.No:74/1	Land in Sy No.76	Land in Sy.No:73
3.	New Sy.No: 73/5 (Old Sy.No.73)		15	K.Thimma Shetty	Property of Savithri Bai	Land in Sy.No:73/4	Land in Sy No.74	Land in Sy.No:73
4.	New Sy No.74/4(Old No.74)	00	34	K.Thimma Shetty	Land in Sy.No:74/5	Land in Sy.No:74/3	Land in Sy No.76	Land in Sy.No:73
5.	New Sy. No:73/2 (Old Sy.No.73)		15	T.Pawan Kumar	Land in Sy.No:73/3	Land in Sy.No:73	Land in Sy No.74	Land in Sy.No:73
6.	New Sy. No:74/1 (Old Sy.No.74)	2	00	T.Pawan Kumar	Land in Sy.No:74/3	Land in Sy.No:74/2	Land in Sy No.74/Halla	Land in Sy.No:73
7.	New Sy. No:73/3 (Old Sy.No.73)		15	T.Pawan Kumar	Land in Sy.No:73/4	Land in Sy.No:73/2	Land in Sy No.74	Road

Place: Bangalore
Date : 19-04-2025

K.VENKATA SUDHEER, Advocate
No.548/51/1, 1st Floor, Garuthman Park, Andal Temple Street,
(Behind R.V.Teacher's College, R.V.Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore – 560 004,
MOBILE: 9845682098

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068

PUBLIC NOTICE-TENDER CUM E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET

[See proviso to Rule 8(6)]
Notice for sale of immovable asset(s)

E-Auction Sale Notice for the sale of immovable asset(s) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

This notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ICICI Bank Limited will be sold on 'As is where is', 'As is what is' and 'Whatever there is' as per the brief particulars given hereunder;

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of E-Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Mr. Thanuja B R (Borrower) Veman M Pandith (Co-Borrower) Loan Account Number LBMYS00004957078	All That Piece And Parcel Of The Property Bearing Municipal Door No. C-8, Municipal Katha No. 1985, Situated At Ward No. 31, New Layout (I.D.S.M.T. Layout), Mangalavarapete, A Division, Channapatna Town, Ramanagara District. Measuring East To West: 7.5 Meter, North To South: 9 Meter Empty Site In That 750 Sq. Ft. Rcc House Built With Bricks, Ghare, Jungle Wood, And Cement Flooring, North: Site No. B-52 South: Road East: Site No. C-7 West: Site No. C-9	Rs. 21,11,806/- (as on March 24, 2025)	Rs. 10,00, 000/- / Rs. 1,00, 000/-	May 03, 2025 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM	May 13, 2025 from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

The online auction will be conducted on the website (https://disposalhub.com) of our auction agency M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited The Mortgagors/ Noticees are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest by May 12, 2025 before 04:00 PM else the secured asset(s) will be sold as per schedule.

The prospective bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at ICICI Bank Limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068 on or before May 12, 2025 before 05:00 PM Thereafter, they have to submit their offer through the website mentioned above on or before May 12, 2025 before 05:00 PM along with the scanned image of the Bank acknowledged DD towards proof of payment of EMD. In case the prospective bidder(s) is/ are unable to submit his/ her/ their offer through the website, then the signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at ICICI Bank Limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068 on or before May 12, 2025 before 05:00 PM Earnest Money Deposit DD/PO should be from a Nationalised/ Scheduled Bank in favour of 'ICICI Bank Limited' payable at Bangalore.

For any further clarifications in terms of inspection, Terms and Conditions of the E-Auction or submission of tenders, contact ICICI Bank Employee Phone No. 7304918084 /9844542086/8008999536.

Please note that the Marketing agencies 1. M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited, 2. Augeo Assets Management Private Limited 3. Matex Net Pvt. Ltd. 4. Finvin Estate Deal Technologies Pvt Ltd 5. Girnarsoft Pvt Ltd 6. Hecta Prop Tech Pvt Ltd 7. Arca Emart Pvt Ltd 8. Novel Asset Service Pvt Ltd 9. Nobroker Technologies Solutions Pvt Ltd have also been engaged for facilitating the sale of this property.

The Authorised Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons.

For detailed Terms and Conditions of the sale, please visit www.icicibank.com/n4p4s

Date : April 19, 2025
Place: Bengaluru & Ramnagara

Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA UNDERTAKING)

Regional Office Bengaluru South
1st Floor, 19, South End Road, Basavangudi,
Bengaluru - 560004

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assests and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provisio to Rule 8 (6) of Security Intrest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the effect that the immovable properties described herein, taken possession under the provisions of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, will be sold by inviting tenders on the following terms & conditions. E-Auction arranged by the service provider **E-bkray (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd) (Contact No. 7046612345 / 6354910172 / 8291220220 / 9892219848 / 8160205051, Email: support.ebkray@psballiance.com / support.ebkray@procure247.com).**

1) Branch Name 2) Name and Borrower & Secured Creditor 3) Name of the Borrowers/Guarantor(s)	1) Secured Debt outstanding 2) Reserve Price & (3) Earnest Money Deposit	1) Last Date of Deposit of EMD & KYC Document 2) EMD Account No. 3) IFSC Code 4) Bid Factor	1) Date of Auction 2) Time of Auction 3) Date & Time of Inspection
(1) Branch: Bengaluru Jayanagar BSNL Complex Ph : 9449860073, E-mail: cb10474@canarabank.com **Borrower: 1) Mohan Kumar J, 2) Pavithra B M, both are residing at:** No 33/3 Mallikarjunappa Galli, KR Shetty Pete, J M Road Cross, Bangalore-560002.	**1) Amount of : Rs. 1,97,27, 934.57/- (Rupees One Crore Ninety Seven Lakhs Twenty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Four and Paise Fifty Seven Only) plus further interest thereon from 01.04.2025 and other expenses** **2) Rs.70.10 Lakhs (3) Rs.7.01 Lakhs**	**1) 03.05.2025 2) A/c No.209272434 3) CNRB0010474 4) Rs.1,00,000/-**	**1) 05.05.2025 2) 11:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M 3) 03.05.2025 5.00 PM**
Description of Immovable Properties(Name of owner/mortgagor to be mentioned): Apartment bearing Flat No. 2009, First Floor,"ROSHAN GARDENIA APARTMENT" situated at Property bearing No. 1373, Sy. No. 95/2, 95/3, 36th Cross road, Adjacent to Poorna Prajna Layout, Uttarhalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk 560061, East: Corridor & Flat No. 2024, West: Open Space, North: Flat No. 2008, South: Flat No. 2010.			
(1) Branch: Uttarahalli Ph : 7050708080, E-mail: cb2778@canarabank.com 2) **Borrower: 1) Sree Laksmi Enterprises**, Ground Floor No 2 Subramanyapura Main Uttarahalli Bangalore-560061. **2) Ashok Kumar C** S/o Chandrashekar, No 3/2 Gramadevatha Cross, Lalabagh Upparahalli Banagalore-560004, **3) Chanrashekar Papanna** S/o Late Papanna No 3/1 G D Road BCC Gym Upparahalli Bangalore-560061.	**1) Amount of Rs. 15,38,584.56/(Rupees Fifteen lakhs Thirty Eight thousand Five Hundred Eighty Four and Paise Fifty Six Only) plus further interest thereon from 01.04.2025 and other expenses** **2) Rs.18.90 Lakhs (3) Rs.1.89 Lakhs**	**1) 03.05.2025 2) A/c No.209272434 3) CNRB0002778 4) Rs.1,00,000/-**	**1) 05.05.2025 2) 11:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M 3) 03.05.2025 5.00 PM**
Description of Immovable Properties(Name of owner/mortgagor to be mentioned): Property bearing Sy No. 216/1, Sy No. 1, 5th Sub Cross, 12th Cross, Weavers Colony Pillaganahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore- 560083, bounded by: East: Ramdasa Property,West Road,North: Narrow Passage South: Thimmakka Property.			

Note: As on date, No Encumbrance Known to Bank for the above mention properties. Other terms and Conditions

(a) Auction/bidding shall be only through Online Electronic Bidding through the **Website https://ebkray.in/** Bidders and advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking in the e-auction sale proceedings.

(b) The property can be inspected with prior appointment with **Authorised Officer, on or before 03.05.2025 between bank working hours.**

© The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process.

(d) EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited by way of DD favoring Authorized Officer, **Canara Bank, 1) Bengaluru Jayanagar BSNL Complex Branch, IFSC Code : CNRB0010474, 2) Uttarahalli Branch, IFSC Code : CNRB0002778, on or before 03.05.2025 - 5.00PM.**

(e) Intending bidders shall hold a valid digital signature certificate and e-mail address. For details with regard to digital signature please contact the service **E-bkray (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd) (Contact No. 7046612345 / 6354910172 / 8291220220 / 9892219848 / 8160205051, Email: support.ebkray@psballiance.com / support.ebkray@procure247.com)**

(f) After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before **03.05.2025 - 5.00PM** to Canara Bank, above mentioned branches by hand or by email. i) Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT, acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. ii) Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. iii) Bidders Name. Contact No. Address, E Mail ID. iv) Bidder's A/c details for online refund of EMD.

(g) The intending bidders should register their names at portal https:indianbankseauction.com/ and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E-auction from the service provider **E-bkray (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd) (Contact No. 7046612345 / 6354910172 / 8291220220 / 9892219848 / 8160205051, Email: support.ebkray@psballiance.com / support.ebkray@procure247.com)**

(h) EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD shall not carry any interest. Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of **Rs. 1,00,000/-** (Rupees One Lakhs Only). The bidder who submits the highest bid (above the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.

(I) The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), on the same day or not later than next working day on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance on or before 15 days from the date of confimation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, within the period started above, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorised officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again.

(j) For Immovables: For sale proceeds of Rs. 50 (Rupees Fifty) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at the rate 1% on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the Bank.

(k) All charges for conveyance, stamp duty/GST registration charges etc., as applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only. Authorised Officer reserves the right to postphone/cancel or very the terms and conditions of the e-auction without assigning any reason thereof. In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the e-auction, they can approach Canara Bank, Srinivasapura who, as a facilitating centre, shall make necessary arrangements. For further details contact Canara Bank, Above mentioned Branches OR the service provider **E-bkray (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd) (Contact No. 7046612345 / 6354910172 / 8291220220 / 9892219848 / 8160205051, Email: support.ebkray@psballiance.com / support.ebkray@procure247.com)**

Date : 19.04.2025
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised officer
Canara Bank

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Smt. Roopa** W/o T.G.Hanumantharaju R/a. Kempalinganahalli Village, Nelamangala Taluk confirm resident of the above address.

We hereby declare that my client has Lost the below mentioned Original Sale deed Near Federal Bank ltd, Nelamangala Branch on 18th April 2025.

The Document of title Original Sale deeds with respect to Old Sy.No.20 and New Sy.No.20/2 Situated at Yennegere village, Solur Hobli, Magadi Taluk, This above Original Title Deeds (Mother Deeds) bearing Doc No.3245/2006-07 dated 16/03/2007 registered in the office of the SRO, Magadi and Further Police complaint has been lodged on 18/04/2025 in Online bearing Lost Report.No.1569852/2025 to this effect which has been duly acknowledged. The above Public Notice is now issued. Any person having claim/in possession of the said document may represent to the under signed within **14 days** failing which it will be taken that there are no claims.

A.Prashanth, Advocate
No.3755, SAMPRATHI, DESHADAPETE
Doddaballapur Town-561203.
Mob : 9886628181.

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is informed that, **Mr.Niranjan C Jain S/o Mr.Chandraraj.S,** has lost original property document i.e., Original Sale Deed dated 17.03.2016 executed by Mr.B.S.Manjunath and others in favour of Mr.Arun Kumar.N and Mrs.Shruthi.S, registered as document no.BNS-1-18689-2015-16, in Book-1, Stored in C.D.No.BNSD418, in the Office of the SRO-Banaswadi, Bangalore, pertaining to portion of property bearing Old No.93/6, New No.93/8, Katha No.93/6/93/8, Situated at Varthur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now under the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore, Ward No.149 and Measuring East to West: (98+95)/2 Feet and North to South: (51+71)/2 Feet, in all measuring 5886.5 Square Feet. **A Complaint is lodged in Crime Branch Bangalore City Police on dated 19.04.2025 Lost Report No.1570931/2025** Finders may return the same to the above said Police Station or contact at the below address **within 07 days** from this publication.

Mr. Prashanth.Kumar.K. BA LLB
"LEX FACTUM",
Advocates and Legal Consultants, No.690, 2nd Floor, 36th Cross, 11th Main Road, Rajajinagar 2nd Block, Bangalore-560 010.

PUBLIC NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE THAT, my clients are intend to purchase the property described below (Schedule Property) from **Sri. Puneet Prakash** S/o Sri. Vijay Prakash, aged about 52 years, Residing at # E-311, Gopalan Habitat Splendur, ITPL Main Road, Kundalahalli, Bangalore, Sri. Puneet Prakash is the absolute owner and is in peaceful possession and enjoyment of the Schedule Property is free from all encumbrances. The Schedule Property is his self-acquired property, and all records, including Katha and other revenue records, are duly registered in the name of Sri Puneet Prakash.

Any person, firm, institution, or company having any claim or right in respect of the Schedule Property by way of inheritance, share, sale agreement, sale, mortgage, lease, lien, license, gift, possession, legal heirs, partners or encumbrance howsoever or otherwise is hereby required to intimate in writing to the undersigned in within **Fifteen (15) days** from the date of publication of this notice of his/her/their share or claim, if any, with all supporting documents failing which the transaction shall be completed without reference to such claim and the claims, if any, of such person shall be treated as waived and not binding on our clients.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of residential property bearing vacant site **No.1279,** Handenahalli Grama Panchayath E-Swathu No.1502001027 01001373, VP Property No.184/1279, Measurement EW:18.288 Meters and NS:12.192 Meters, total measuring 222.97 Square Meters, formed in Survey No.166/2 and various adjoining survey numbers, in the Layout known as **"Best Town Ship"** formed by M/s. The BEML Employees Co-Op. Society Limited". Approved by BMRDA, Situated at S. Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, and bounded on: **East by :**Road, **West by:**Site No.1282, **North by :** Site No.1278, **South by :** Site No.1280.

Advocate for Prospective Purchasers.
Manjunath H.R, Advocate,
No.3046, 1st Floor, 8th Cross, 14th Main, WOC Road, RPC Layout, Bengaluru-560040,
PH:9901606467,
E-Mail:dhruvikalawassociates@gmail.com

ESTD: 1907

THE BANGALORE CITY CO-OP. BANK LTD.,

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE: NO. 3, Pampamahakahvi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore -18
Office: 26678572 : 26600512:26609066, Tele Fax: (080)26617980

(Rule 8 (1) POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property) (Symbolically)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of **The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd.,** A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord. 3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued and demand notice calling upon the undersigned borrowers/ legal heirs to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers /legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers /legal heirs and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule.

The borrowers / legal heirs in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd., A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18.**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sl.No.	Name of the Loanee	Balance Outstanding	Particulars of Immovable Property & Measurement
CHAMARAJPET(WEST) BRANCH			
01	**Smt. Jammela Bi (Deceased) Lr's : 1. Ghose Peer (Son) 2. Mansoor Pasha (Son) 3. Ansar Pasha (Son) 4. Afsar Pasha (Son)**	**Demand Notice Dated : 21.02.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 15.04.2025 Balance outstanding: Rs. 7,60,499/- as on : 15.04.2025**	**Property & Measurement :-** New No. 5/1, Old No. 2 Pipe Line Road, BBMP Ward No. 43 of Padarayanapura, PID No. 43-102-5/1, Bengaluru. **Measuring: East to West : 15 feet & North to South : 40 feet** **East by :** Site belongs to others **, West by :** Site belongs to others, **North by :** Drainage, **South by :** Remaining portion of the same property & common passage.
02	**Sri. C. Ravichandran**	**Demand Notice Dated : 03.02.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 15.04.2025 Balance outstanding: Rs. 34,98,278/- as on : 15.04.2025**	**Property & Measurement :-** No. 12/18, 1st Main, Kalappa Block, BBMP Ward No. 25 of Ramchandrapura, PID No. 25-4-12/18, Bengaluru. **Measuring: East to West : 15 feet & North to South : 50 feet** **East by :** Drainage & Burial Ground, **West by :** The property Municipal No. 12/179 belongs to M. Arjunan, **North by :** Property belongs to M. Shankaravelu, **South by :** Road & Drainage
03	**Smt. Asmath Unnisa**	**Demand Notice Dated : 03.02.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 15.04.2025 Balance outstanding: Rs. 17,08,660/- as on : 15.04.2025**	**Property & Measurement :-** No.11/10-1, 11th E Cross West of Padarayanapura, BBMP Ward No. 43 of Padarayanapura, PID No. 43-75-11/10-1, Bengaluru. **Measuring: East to West : towards Northern Side : 29 feet, Southern Side : 32.6 feet & North to South : 23 feet** **East by :** 5 X 22.6 feet Common Passage, thereafter property belongs to Mohammed Inayathulla, **West by:** Mori, **North by**: 6.5 X 34 feet Common Passage, thereafter property belongs to Sajid Unnissa, **South by :** Road.
04	**Sri. Ramesh Kumar. M**	**Demand Notice Dated : 03.02.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 15.04.2025 Balance outstanding: Rs. 11,39,251/- as on : 15.04.2025**	**Property & Measurement :-** No. 47/1, Old No. 47, Earlier No. 84 (South Portion), 1st Cross Road, Rayapura, South Goripalya, Mysuru Road, BBMP Ward No. 44 & New Ward No. 137 of Rayapuram, PID No. 44-105-47/1, Bengaluru. **Measuring: East to West: 40 Feet & North to South: 12.6 feet.** **East by :** BBMP Property, **West by :** Road, **North by** : Northern portion of the same property belongs to M. Vijayakumar , **South by :** Property bearing No. 85.

Date: 19.04.2025
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorized Officer
The Bangalore City Co-operative Bank Ltd.,

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK (A Scheduled Commercial Bank) | **Registered Office:** The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

Whereas you the below mentioned Borrower's, Co-Borrower's, Guarantor's and Mortgagors have availed loans from **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited,** by mortgaging your immovable properties. Consequent to default committed by you all, your loan account has been classified as **Non-performing Asset,** whereas **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** being a secured creditor under the Act, and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(2) of the said Act read with rule 2 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued **Demand notice** calling upon the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors as mentioned in column No.2 to repay the amount mentioned in the notices with future interest thereon within **60 days** from the date of notice, but the notices could not be served on some of them for various reasons.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	Loan Account No. & Loan Amount	Details of the Security to be enforced	Date of NPA & Demand Notice date	Amount Due in Rs. / as on
1	1) M/s. F K Auto Engineering Works, Represented by its Proprietor Mr. Khadir Ahmed, 2) Mr. Khadir Ahmed, Also at: M/s. F K Auto Engineering Works, 3) Mrs. Shanaz Begam	Loan Account No. 30198645912911 30199660000802 4751020000405698 Loan Amount: Rs.20,50,000 Rs.3,80,000/- Rs.5,15,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Northern side Residential Potion of Site No.30, Present Corporation No.30, situated at 30th Cross Road, Byrasandra Tank Bund Area, 4th East Jayanagara, Bangalore 62nd Ward of Bangalore Mahanagara Palike. The Unique Property ID No.(PID) allotted to this property is 62-93-30. Measuring East to West 20 Feet and North to South 14 ½ feet and **Bounded on the: East by:** Site No.31, **West by:** Site No.29, **North by:** Site No.85, **South by:** Remaining portion of same property 4 x15 ½ feet passage left by the Mohammed Khan to the Schedule Property this passage is belong to the Releasee only. Measuring East to West 4 Feet and North to South 15 ½ feet and **Bounded on: East by:** Site No.31, **West by:** Remaining portion of the same property, **North by:** Remaining portion of the same property sold to Fayaz Ahmed (the husband of the releasee), **South by:** Road. Property situated as "L" Shape, total measuring 352 Sq.ft. Together with 2 Square ACC sheet roofing house thereon, brick and cement wall, red oxide flooring, doors and windows are made out of jungle wood with all civic amenities.	Date of NPA: 19-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15.04.2025	Rs.21,31,292.43 (Rupees Twenty One Lakh Thirty One Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Two and Paisa FortyThree Only) as of 11-04-2025
2	1) Mr. Basavaraju, 2) Mrs. Nagamma	Loan Account No. 45389630000197 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All thatpiece and Property No.43/43, Assessment No.39, measuring 53X34, situated at Kudasiddanapalya Village, Ajjanahalli Gram Panchayath, Tavarekere Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and **Bounded on the: East by:** Property belongs to Motamma, **West by:** Property belongs to Siddaraju, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Property belongs to Puttamadappa.	Date of NPA: 03-04-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15-04-2025	Rs.4,23,914.45 (Rupees Four Lakh Twenty Three Thousand Nine Hundred Fourteen and Forty Five Paisa Only) due as on 11-04-2025
3	1) Mr. E Prabhakaran, Prop. M/s. Safe Prop, Also at: M/s. Safe Prop, 2) Mrs. Thilakavathi S	Loan Account No. 47469440000058 Loan Amount: Rs.10,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.25, Katha No.1773/25, Property No.230, situated at Bidarahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, Measuring East to West 40 Feet, North to South 42 Feet, in all totally measuring 1680 Sq.ft and **Bounded as follows: On the East by:** 30 Feet Road, **On the West by:** Site No.40, **On the North by:** Site No.26, **On the South by:** 30 Feet Road.	Date of NPA: 03-04-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15-04-2025	Rs.8,47,580.20 (Rupees Eight Lakh Forty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Eighty and Twenty Paisa Only) due as on 07-04-2025
4	1) Mr. Nagaraj G, 2) Mrs. Yuvarani	Loan Account No. 45349420000682 45349430000923 Loan Amount: Rs.24,95,603/- Rs.2,17,390/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of property bearing Site No.20, Khatha No.30/2 and Site No.19/A, Khatha No.30/2 situated at K Gollahalli/ Kengeri Gollahalli (H. Gollahalli), Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk Presently comes under the limits of H. Gollahalli Gram Panchayath **Site No.19/A:** Measuring East to West (41.9+41.6)/2 Ft and North to South (10+10)/2 Ft in all measuring 417.50 Sq.ft. **East by:** Road, **West by:** Private property, **North by:** Site No.20 belongs to Yuvarani, **South by:** Property belongs to Krishnappa. **Site No.20:** Measuring East to West (44+41.9)/2 Ft and North to South (28.6+28.6)/2 Ft in all measuring 1228.50 Sq.ft. **East by:** Road, **West by:** Private property, **North by:** Site No.21 belongs to Yuvarani, **South by:** Site No.19A.	Date of NPA: 03-04-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15.04.2025	Rs.21,97,212.00 (Rupees Twenty One Lakh Ninety Seven Thousand Two Hundred Twelve Only) due as on 14-04-2025
5	1) Mr. Mani Kanta, 2) Mr. Shriramulu, 3) Mrs. Parvathamma C	Loan Account No. 32509630000652 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All thepiece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.109, Khatha No.109/109, Old No.67, PID No.150200102200500085, situated at Doddatimmasandra Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District. Presently comes under the limits of Mugaluru Village Panchayath and **Bounded by the: East by:** House of Rangamma, **West by:** Panchayath Road, **North by:** Government Road, **South by:** House of V A Gurappa. Measuring East to West: 6.71 Mtrs and North to South: 6.71 Mtrs, in all measuring 45.02 Sq.mtrs.	Date of NPA: 03-04-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15-04-2025	Rs.4,69,798.78 (Rupees Four Lakh Sixty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Eight and Seventy Eight Paisa Only) due as on 11-04-2025
6	1) Mrs. Sakamma, 2) Mr. Shivaraju	Loan Account No. 47059630001213 Loan Amount: Rs.4,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All thatpiece and parcel for property E-Khatha No.152900200600100306, Khaneshumari No.5/5/5, measuring East to West 9+9/2 meter and North to South 12.20+12.20/2 meters, situated at Kottagalu Village and Gram Panchayath, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District and **Bounded on: East by:** House belongs to Singaiah, **West by:** Site belongs to Kempaiah, **North by:** Government Road, **South by:** Property Survey No.55.	Date of NPA: 03-04-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15-04-2025	Rs.3,28,057.64 (Rupees Three Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Fifty Seven and Sixty Four Paisa Only) due as on 11-04-2025
7	1) Mr. Shivalal Prajapathi, Also at: M/s. Jayashree Electricals and Harware, 2) Mrs. Deeksha Prajapathi	Loan Account No. 45389435268217 45389430000128 34019680000043 Loan Amount: Rs.34,31,503/- Rs.10,09,807/- Rs.6,40,831/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel Sy.No.52/18 measuring 0-01 Guntas, situated at Anneshwara Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and **Bounded on the: East by:** Property of Gundu Rao, **West by:** Property of Muniyappa (Appayanna), **North by:** Sy.No.52/13 and others property, **South by:** Road. Measuring 0-01 Guntas.	Date of NPA: 10-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15.04.2025	Rs.33,44,922.74 (Rupees Thirty Three Lakh Forty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Two and Seventy Four Paisa Only) due as on 11-04-2025
8	1) Mrs. Radhamma, 2) Mr. M Rajappa	Loan Account No. 46459630002242 Loan Amount: Rs.3,06,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel the immovable residential Property bearing Site No.274, situates at Makanahalli Village, Jadigenahalli Hobali, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Presently Comes under the Limits of Vagata Village Panchayath and **Bounded by the: East by:** Government Road, **West by:** Property belongs to S. Ramesh, **North by:** Property belongs to MP Chinnappa, **South by:** Vacant Place of MV Venkatalakshmamma. Measuring East to West 25 feet and North to South 30 feet.	Date of NPA: 03-04-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15.04.2025	Rs.2,87,834.10 (Rupees Two Lakh Eighty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Four and Ten Paisa Only) due as on 11-04-2025
9	1) Mr. Mahaboob Sharif, Also at: M/s. A M S Auto Engineering Works, 2) Mrs. Gorima	Loan Account No. 46450530000167 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All the piece and parcel of the property bearing No.29, situated at Kattigenahalli Village, Comes within the Purview of Khajihosahalli Grama Panchayath, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and **Bounded on: East by:** Government Road, **West by:** House of Munirathnamma, **North by:** Property of Melada Munirangappa, **South by:** Property of Melada Muniyappa. Measuring East-West 50 feet, North-South 40 feet, totally measuring 2000 Sq.feet.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15.04.2025	Rs.5,30,130.15 (Rupees Five Lakh Thirty Thousand One Hundred Thirty and Fifteen Paisa Only) due as on 11-04-2025
10	1) Mr. Ramesh R, 2) Mrs. Shrilatha	Loan Account No. 46459410001012 46459630000262 Loan Amount: Rs.3,09,000/- Rs.4,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All the piece and parcel of the Property bearing Property bearing No.313, measuring East to West 36 feet and North to South 26 feet., situated at Khanjihosahalli Village, Jadigenahalli Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Presently comes under the Limits of Khanjihosahalli Gram Panchayath and **Bounded by the: East by:** House of Smt. Renukamma, **West by:** Vacant place of Smt. Gowramma, **North by:** Vacant place of Smt. Lakshmi, **South by:** Road. Measuring East to West 36 feet and North to South 26 feet.	Date of NPA: 03-04-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15.04.2025	Rs.6,01,876.99 (Rupees Six Lakh One Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Six and Ninety Nine Paisa Only) due as on 11-04-2025
11	1) Mr. Sonnappa D M, 2) Mrs. Manjula S	Loan Account No. 46459410000555 46459630000068 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/- Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of property bearing No.201/212, ID No.150300401700400310, situated at Dalasagere Village, Hoskote Block, Bangalore Rural District, Presently comes under the limits of Nelavagilu Grama Panchayath, Bangalore District and **Bounded on the: East by:** M. Ramaiah & S. Anjinappa, **West by:** S. Anjinappa, K. Muniyappa & Rajanna, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Baira Reddy. Measuring East to West: 11.2776 feet and North to South: 24.384 feet, in all measuring 274.99 Sq.feet.	Date of NPA: 03-04-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15.04.2025	Rs.7,89,145.21 (Rupees Seven Lakh Eighty Nine Thousand One Hundred Forty Five and Twenty One Paisa Only) due as on 14-04-2025
12	1) Mrs. Munirathnamma, 2) Mr. Devaraja	Loan Account No. 34019630001120 Loan Amount: Rs.2,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel the immovable Property bearing No.200/1P, situates at Mandibele Village, Vijayapura Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Presently Comes under the Limits of Mandibele Village Panchayath and **Bounded by the: East by:** Road, **West by:** Papanna, **North by:** Papanna, **South by:** Manjanna. Measuring 4.61 X 12.12 Mtrs.	Date of NPA: 03-04-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15.04.2025	Rs.1,99,735.70 (Rupees One Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Five and Seventy Paisa Only) due as on 11-04-2025
13	1) Mrs. Shobha, 2) Mr. Vinaya Kumar	Loan Account No. 47059410000443 47059630001192 Loan Amount: Rs.4,89,000/- Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel for property E-Khatha No.152900203901720046 Khaneshumari No.151/113, measuring East to West 12.192 Meter and North to South 11.277 Meters, situated at Hanakadaburu Village, Hosadurga Grama Panchayath, Kodihalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District and **Bounded on: East by:** House belongs to Gowramma, **West by:** House belongs to Jagadeesh, **North by:** Government Road, **South by:** House belongs to Kenchaiah.	Date of NPA: 03-04-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15.04.2025	Rs.9,38,946.16 (Rupees Nine Lakh Thirty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Six and Sixteen Paisa Only) due as on 11-04-2025

Notice is therefore given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor & Mortgagor as mentioned in Column No.2, calling upon them to make payment of the aggregate amount as shown in column No.6, against all the respective Borrower/ Co-Borrower within **60 days** of Publication of this notice as the said amount is found payable in relation to the respective loan account as on the date shown in Column No. 6. It is made clear that if the aggregate amount together with future interest and other amounts which may become payable till the date of payment, is not paid, **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** shall be constrained to take appropriate action for enforcement of security interest upon properties as described in Column No.4. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** against the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors of the said financials under the law, you are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said act, you are restrained/ prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of the secured asset without prior consent of Secured Creditor.

Date: 20.04.2025, Place: Bangalore & Bangalore Rural — **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

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Supreme Court blocks deportation of Venezuelans under US wartime law

Trump administration is expected to quickly ask the Supreme Court to lift its temporary order

WASHINGTON

THE Supreme Court on Saturday blocked, for now, the deportations of any Venezuelans held in northern Texas under an 18th century wartime law.

In a brief order, the court directed the Trump administration not to remove Venezuelans held in the Bluebonnet Detention Center "until further order of this court."

Justices Clarence Thomas and Samuel Alito dissented.

The high court acted in an emergency appeal from the American Civil Liberties Union contending that immigration authorities appeared to be moving to restart removals under the Alien Enemies Act of 1798. The Supreme Court had said earlier in April that deportations could proceed only if those about to be removed had a chance to argue their case in court and were given "a reasonable time" to contest their pending removals.

"We are deeply relieved that the Court has temporarily blocked the removals. These individuals were in imminent danger of spending the rest of their lives in a brutal Salvadoran prison without ever having had any due process," ACLU lawyer Lee Gelernt said in an email.

On Friday, two federal judges refused to step in as lawyers for the men launched a desperate legal campaign to prevent their deportation, even as one judge said the case raised legitimate concerns. Early Saturday, the 5th US Circuit Court of Appeals also refused to issue an order protecting the detainees from being deported.

The administration is expected to return to the Supreme Court quickly in an effort to persuade the justices to lift their temporary order.

The ACLU had already sued to block deportations of two Venezuelans held in the Bluebonnet facility and sought an order barring removals of any immigrants in the region under the Alien Enemies Act.

In an emergency filing early Friday, the ACLU warned that immigration authorities were accusing other Venezuelan men held there of being members of the Tren de Aragua gang, which would make them subject to President Donald Trump's use of the act.

The act has only been invoked three previous times in US history, most recently during World War II to hold Japanese-American civilians in internment camps. The Trump administration contended it gave them power to swiftly remove immigrants they identified as members of the gang, regardless of their immigration status.

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Supreme Court directed Trump administration not to remove Venezuelans held in the Bluebonnet Detention Center "until further order of this court" | AFP

Judge cited ICE to allow deportations earlier

US District Judge James Wesley Hendrix, a Trump appointee, this week declined to bar the administration from removing the two men identified in the ACLU lawsuit because Immigration and Customs Enforcement filed sworn declarations that they would not be immediately deported. He also balked at issuing a broader order prohibiting removal of all Venezuelans in the area under the act because he said removals hadn't started yet

EXPRESS READ

Funds slashed for indigenous projects

Washington: Federal funds for projects to capture and digitise stories of Indigenous children abused in US boarding schools have been reduced by at least USD1.6 million due to cuts during President Trump's administration. These reductions are part of broader funding slashes by the National Endowment for the Humanities. The cuts follow a significant investigation into boarding schools and an apology from President Joe Biden, highlighting a dramatic shift in priorities. AP

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general Public that, my Client, **Sri. Ramachandrappa V,** was the absolute Owner of Property bearing Northern portion of Residential vacant site No.7, Old Khatha No.12/8-A, New Khatha No.601, Situated at Doddanagamangala Village, Konappana Agrahara Grama Panchayath, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, who acquired the same through registered Sale Deed from Rama Reddy and Others, through registered sale deed, dated 08.09.2004, registered as document No. 15281/2004-05.

Whereas, (1) Original sale deed, bearing Document No.15281 /2004-05, dated 08.09.2004, (2) Original sale deed, bearing Document No.2185/2010-11, dated 29.07.2010 and (3) Original Rectification deed bearing Document No.3689/2010 11, dated 18.10.2010, in Original was lost by my client **Sri. Ramachandrappa V** while shifting the house from G S Palya to Begur between 17/01/2016 to 14/02/2016, and with regard to the same, misplaced/Lost, have lodged Police complaint on 19.04.2025, Lost Report No. 1570942/2025, before Karnataka State Police, Bangalore City Unit Web Portal, my client have not mortgaged the said document to any of the Financial Institution and the General Public is here by cautioned, not to deal with Schedule Property on bases of loss documents. If any of the Person, claiming right, title and interest over the property through loss documents, please file objections if any along with relevant documents within 07 days of this notice to the below mentioned address and the claims received after the specified time will not be entertained.

Sd/- **M Chandrashekar,** Advocate
No. 28/2, 1st Floor, Damodar Mudaliar Street, R K Math Road, Halasuru, Bangalore 560 008.
Mobile No. 9945302013

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general pubic are hereby informed that, my client **Sri. Kempasidde Gowda s/o late Chikkaiah** aged about 52 yrs residing at No.86, 4th cross, Sapthagiri residency, Muttuaraya Nagar, Opp ISI, Mysuru road, Bengaluru - 560059.Intends to purchase the property from **Mr. Sharad Hegde HUF** (Kartha) aged about 67 years son of Vishwanath Ganesh Hegde No. 136, 8th Main Road. 9TH Cross, CMBS Layout, Vijayanagar, Bangalore-560040, In respect of the below maintained scheduled property any person, claiming to have any charge, lien, interest, minor claims, rights, whatsoever over the properties may lodge the claim to the undersigned with documentary proof on or before be 29/04/2025 failing which my client will treat that there are no objections or claims in respect of the scheduled properties No claims shall be entertained thereafter.

SCHEDULED PROPERTIES

All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Residential Vacant **Site No. M3 & M4** of Magnolia Gardens II Phase Katha No.318/M/3, E-Katha No. 152900402000401019 and Katha No. 318/M/4, E-Katha No. 152900402000401020 out of converted land Sy.No. 10P8 at Billakempanahalli, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagaram Taluk, Ramanagara District, measuring 127 x 60 in all totally 7620 sq. Ft. & 123 x 60 in all totally 7380 sq. Ft. both properties measuring **15000 Sq. Ft.** and bounded on

East by : Land of Magnolia Gardens I Phase,
West by : Road
North by : Flat No. M4 & M5
South by : Flat No. M2 & M3

Siddarame Gowda Advocate
No.1234D, 9TH Cross, Chandra Layout, Bangalore-560040
Mob: 7204645356

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is hereby informed that my client **Mrs. Vibhuti Jauhari** W/o Mr. Vinay Jauhari has lost or misplaced the original **sale deed dated 17-8-2005, registered as Document No. ANK-1-06844-2005-06, CD No. ANKD73, at the office of the Sub Registrar, Anekal, Bangalore,** pertaining to residential Site No. 569 Vakil Whispering Woods – Phase III, carved in Sy No. 138/1 & 129, Madiwala Village, Kasaba Hobli Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, measuring East To West 18m, North to South 12m, totally measuring 216 Sqm (2325Sqft) and bounded on the East by Road, West by Site No. 540, North by Site No. 570 and South by Site No 568.

The above mentioned owner has filed online police complaint under Sec 155 of CrPC (lost article report) on 18-4-2025, vide Lost Report No.1569754/2025.

Any person having found/obtained the said document is hereby requested to return the same to the undersigned. If anybody acts on the above mentioned documents, my client **Mrs. Vibhuti Jauhari** will not be responsible for future course of action and the persons involved in the said act shall alone be held liable for the same and will be penalized in accordance with law, if the same is misused.

Adv. Saritha Ramesh
#183, Phase 1 Vakil Whispering Woods Marasur Post Bangalore-562 106
Mob No. 98456 83656
Bangalore, Date: 20/04/2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my client **Sri. Manjunath .B.R,** S/o Sri. Ravi Kumar .B.S, residing at Flat No.308, Sri Sapphire Park Apartment, Ramamurthynagar, Bengaluru-560016, is intending to purchase the below mentioned Site from Sri.Sandeepa Shetty S/o Late. Vasu Shetty and Smt. Prathima Shetty W/o Sri.Sandeepa Shetty, both are residing at No.5, Flat No.302, 4th Floor, Sai Ashirwad, 1st Cross, Gangamma Layout, R.T Nagar, Bengaluru-560032. If any person/s have any manner of right, title, claim, charge, lien or interest over the Schedule Property or otherwise have any lawful objection/s for this sale transaction, they are hereby called upon to file their objection/s in writing along with photocopies of documents which they are relying, with the undersigned **within 15 days** from the date of the publication, any objections or claims received thereafter will not be binding on my client and my client shall proceed to purchase the below mentioned property as if there are no claimant/s or objectors

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of Vacant BDA Site bearing No.CH-44, BDA Khatha No.BDA/RO(N)/ARKAVATHI/CH-44/2014-15, New BDA P.I.D No.6000022053, carved out of Land bearing Survey No.123/1, in the Layout formed by the Bengaluru Development Authority, Known as "ARKAVATHI LAYOUT" situated at 17th "A" Main, 19th Block, ARKAVATHI LAYOUT, CHELLAKERE Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, measuring East to West 6.00 Meters, North to South 9.00 Meters, totally measuring 54 Square Meters and bounded on the: **East by:** Site No.CH-45, **West by:** Site No.CH-43, **North by:** Road and **South by:** Site No.CH-55.

K. SURESH, Advocate
No. 12A, 1st Floor, 1st Main, 5th Cross, Vijaya Bank, Narmada Colony, Banasawadi, Bengaluru-560043. Mob: 9844377581.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform that my clients have negotiated with **1) Mr. MOHAMMED IMTIAZ PASHA, 2) Mr. MOHAMMED MUMTAZ PASHA, 3) Mr. MOHAMMED IYAZ PASHA, 4) Mrs. MOBEENA TAJ, 5) Mrs. SHABEENA TAJ, 6) Mrs. MOHSINA TAJ, 7) Mrs. FARZANA TAJ, 8) Mrs. RUKHSANA TAJ** and **9) Mrs. RIZWANA TAJ** all are children of Late Abdul Basith alias Pyarejan, C/o No.71/1, Noha Street, Shivajinagar, Bangalore-560051, to purchase the Schedule Property hereunder which earlier belonged to their Father **Mr. ABDUL BASITH alias PYAREJAN** whose title documents are either lost or misplaced by the aforesaid persons and they have lodged a Police complaint with regard to same.

If any person/s have any manner of rights, interests, share/s, claims or objections of whatsoever nature can lodge their claim/s with the undersigned along with substantial document/s within **07 Days** from this notice and if no claim/s are lodged within the specified period, it will be deemed that the above mentioned persons are the sole and absolute Owners of the said Property and my clients will proceed to conclude the sale transaction and register the sale deed.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

The Residential Property bearing Present Municipal No.71/1, PID No.78-44-71/1, BBMP Property No.86/71/1, E.P.I.D. No.3226367504, situated at Noha Street, Chandni Chowk Road Cross, Shivajinagar, BBMP Ward No.78, New Ward No.92, Bangalore, totally admeasuring 1500 Square Feet, bounded on the East by: Property of Shazadi Bi; West by: Premises Old No.8, Noha Street; North by: Private Property; and South by: Noha Street;

T.M.SYED AFZAL AHMED (Advocate)
No.151/1-A, Lal Masjid Complex, Jumma Masjid Road, Shivajinagar, Bangalore-560051,
Mobile : 9845546676 / 08041643307

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the knowledge of the General Public that, I, **Sri. H.N. CHANDRASHEKAR, S/o late Sri. Bale Nanjundappa, aged about 73 years, residing at Old Post Office, Hosakote Industrial Area, Hoskote, Bengaluru Rural - 562 114,** have revoked the un-registered General Power of Attorney dated 2.12.2024 executed in favour of **Sri. Sridhara S.K.,** S/o Krishnappa, aged about 44 years, residing at No.266, 1st Main, 4th Cross, near Ganapathy Temple, Singasandra, Bommanahalli, Bengaluru - 560 068 in respect of the Schedule Property which was obtained fraudulently from me. The Public are hereby cautioned and requested not to enter into any kind of transaction or oral or written based on the aforesaid General Power of Attorney and that further any kind of transactions entered upon or dealt with **Sri. Sridhara S.K.** fraudulently claiming to be my attorney is void ab-initio, invalid and not binding on me.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of my share partially/fully of the immovable property bearing Sy. No.49/1, measuring 2 Acre 4 Guntas, situated at Naganathapura Village, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, and bounded on: East by : Property belong to Mr. Narayana Reddy; West by : Property belong to Mr. Muniyappa; North by : Road; South by : Property belong to Mr. Hanumanthappa.

H.N. CHANDRASHEKAR
Bangalore, Date: 18.04.2025

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ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ನಗರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ಆನೇಕಲ್ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಅತ್ತಿಬೆಲೆ ಹೋಬಳಿ, ನಂ.144/4, ಅಂಬರೀಶ್–ಬಿಲ್ಡಿಂಗ್, ತುಳಸಿ ಬ್ಯೂಟಿ ಪಾರ್ಲರ್ ಹತ್ತಿರ, ಅತ್ತಿಬೆಲೆ ಗ್ರಾಮದಲ್ಲಿವಾಸವಾಗಿರುವ ನಾಗರಾಜಪ್ಪ ರವರ ಮಗನಾದ ಸುಮಾರು 49 ವರ್ಷ ವಯಸ್ಸುಳ್ಳ ಎನ್.ಸುರೇಂದ್ರ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಆದ ನಾನು ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರಿಗೆ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ನಗರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ಆನೇಕಲ್ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಅತ್ತಿಬೆಲೆ ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಇಂಡ್ಲಬೆಲೆ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ.188/2 ರ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ 0.38 ಗುಂಟೆ ಜಮೀನಿನಲ್ಲಿ ವಿಹೆಚ್‌ಎಫ್ ಸೆಲ್ಸ್ ಕಾಂಟಿನೆಂಟಲ್ ಸಿಟಿ ಬಡಾವಣೆಯನ್ನು ನಿರ್ಮಿಸಿದ್ದು, ಫೇಸ್–21ರಲ್ಲಿರತಕ್ಕ ಪ್ಲಾಟ್ 113ರ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ ಪೂರ್ವ–ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ: 60 ಅಡಿಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಉತ್ತರ–ದಕ್ಷಿಣ: 60 ಅಡಿಗಳು ಒಟ್ಟು ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ 3600 ಚದರ ಅಡಿಗಳುಳ್ಳ ಸ್ವತ್ತು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 21–04–1998ರಂದು ಆನೇಕಲ್ ಉಪನೊಂದಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ದಸ್ತಾವೇಜು ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 216/1998–99 ರಂತೆ ನೊಂದಣಿ ಶುದ್ಧಕ್ರಯ ಪತ್ರವಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಮತ್ತು ಇದೇ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ.179, 180, 185/1, 185/2, 185/3, 186/1, 186/2, 186/3, 187/2, 25/3, 184/1, 183/12 18 24 3ಜಮೀನಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಗೋಲ್ಡನ್ ಗೇಟ್ ಪ್ರಾಪರ್ಟೀಸ್ ಲಿಮಿಟೆಡ್ ಎಂಬ ಬಡಾವಣೆ ನಿರ್ಮಿಸಿದ್ದು, ಸೈಟ್ ನಂ.ಬಿ–26, ಬೀಚ್ ಬ್ಲಾಕ್, ಹೌಸ್ ಲಿಸ್ಟ್ ಖಾತಾ ನಂ.727, ರ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ ಪೂರ್ವ–ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ: 60 ಅಡಿಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಉತ್ತರ–ದಕ್ಷಿಣ: 40 ಅಡಿಗಳು ಒಟ್ಟು ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ 2400 ಚದರ ಅಡಿಗಳುಳ್ಳ ಸ್ವತ್ತು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 24–02–2005 ರಂದು ಆನೇಕಲ್ ಉಪನೊಂದಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ದಸ್ತಾವೇಜು ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ. ಎಎನ್‌ಕೆ–1–26159/2004 –05, ಸಿಡಿ ನಂ.ಎಎನ್‌ಕೆಡಿ53 ರಂತೆ ನೊಂದಣಿ ಶುದ್ಧ ಕ್ರಯ ಪತ್ರವಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಸದರಿ ಎರಡೂ ಶುದ್ಧ ಕ್ರಯ ಪತ್ರದ ಮೂಲ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 08–04–2025ರಂದು ಅತ್ತಿಬೆಲೆ ಬಸ್‌ನಿಲ್ದಾಣದಲ್ಲಿ ಕಳೆದುಹೋಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಎಷ್ಟೇ ಹುಡುಕಿದರೂ ಸಿಗದಿದ್ದ ಕಾರಣ ದಿನಾಂಕ 15–04–2025ರಂದು ಅತ್ತಿಬೆಲೆ ಪೊಲೀಸ್ ಠಾಣೆ, ಆನೇಕಲ್ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಇಲ್ಲಿ ದೂರನ್ನೂ ದಾಖಲಿಸಿದ್ದು, ಜಿ.ಎಸ್.ಸಿ. ನಂ. P0332250600323 ಆಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಯಾರಿಗಾದರೂ ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳು ಸಿಕ್ಕಲ್ಲಿ ಅಥವಾ ತಮ್ಮ ವಶದಲ್ಲಿದ್ದರೆ ಕೂಡಲೇ ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ವಿಳಾಸಕ್ಕಾಗಲೀ ಅಥವಾ ಹತ್ತಿರದ ಪೊಲೀಸ್ ಠಾಣೆಗೆ ತಲುಪಿಸಲು ಕೋರಲಾಗಿದೆ.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client intends to purchase the residential vacant corner property more fully described in the schedule hereunder, from **Mr. Chandrashekar Singh .B.A,** aged about 58 years, son of Mr B.R. Amar Singh, residing at No.9/1A, 9th Cross, 3rd Main Road, Chamarajpet, Bangalore-560018.

Any person/s, institutions, has/have any claim/objection to the said sale of the schedule property by the said owner, may lodge their claim/objections along with documents with the undersigned **within 7 days** from the date of this publication of this notice. In the event of no claim or objections are received, it is deemed that there are no claims or objections to the said sale of the schedule property and our clients will proceed for registration of the schedule property. Objections received thereafter will not bind our clients whatsoever.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable vacant residential corner property bearing Site No.1472, 'E' Katha bearing 122/1/1472, property ID No.150200100400902046 measuring East to West 12.192 metres (East to West 40 feet), North to South 9.144 metres (North to South 30 feet) totally measuring 111.48 sq.metres (1200 sq.ft) formed in residential layout by name 'Nandanavana' duly approved by BMRDA vide order bearing No.BMRDA/LAO/14/2004-05, dated 01.09.2004, in converted property bearing Survey No.157, situated at Bukkasagara Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded as follows: **East by:** Road, **West by:** Site No.1520, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Site No.1473.

AMBRESHAPPA & SOUMYA .B.S
Advocates and Associates
No.1, Konanakunte, New Bank Colony, Narayanappa Layout, Opp BBMP Office, Amruthnagar Main Road, Konanakunte Post, Bangalore-560062. Mobile: 9845324777
Email: ambresh1975@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform General public that my client is intending to purchase the schedule property belonging to Sri. Manjunath P. S/o Pilla Reddy, aged about 56 years residing at No 2475, 16th 'F' Main, Opp. Dr. Vishnuvardhan Park, HAL 2nd Stage, Bangalore North, Bengaluru-560 008.

Any person having any claim over the schedule property claiming through the predecessors in title or any other person. May lodge their objections or claims. In writing with all supporting documentary evidence by registered post with regard to such claim with the undersigned **within 7 days** here of, failing which my client/s will proceed to conclude the sale transaction, any claims lodged thereafter will not be entertained by my client/s

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Vacant site No,2180, Formed by the Bangalore Development Authority East to West;12.35 Meters, And North to South 9.00 Meters in all 111.15 Sq. Meters [i.e,1200 sq, feet] Situated at HAL 2ND Stage, Bangalore, Presently the property is within the limits of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, Ward No,88 [74] and has assigned PID No.74-1-2180 and bounded on: **East by:** Site No.2187, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Site No 2179, **South by:** Site No. 2181.

N.V. MANJUNATHA, Advocate
No. 3/2, 3rd Floor, Thimmaiah Towers, 1st Main, 1st Cross, Near Olympic Sports, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru-560009.
Mob:9341973035

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby informed that our client, is intending to purchase the property more fully mentioned in the Schedule here in below for valuable consideration from, Mr. Sharanagouda Mahantagouda Patil S/o Sri. Mahantagouda U Patil who has represented that he is the absolute owner and is in peaceful possession of the Schedule Property.

Any person/s objecting for the proposed purchase or having any right in the Schedule property, may lodge their objections and/ or claims with the undersigned along with the supporting documentary evidences within 07 (Seven) days from the date of this publication, and any objections or claims received thereafter will not be binding on our client and our client will proceed to purchase the Schedule property as if there are no claimant/s or objections from any person/s.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the Vacant Residential Site.No. 1473, IV 'B' Block, Further Extension of B.S.K. (Vrushabhavathi) VI Stage, measuring East to West 18 meters and North to South 12 Meters, in all measuring 216 Square Meters and bounded as follows:-

East by : Private Property
North by : Site No. 1474
West by : Road
South by : Site No. 1472

B.CHETHAN
M/s LEXFIRM,
Advocates & Solicitors
No. 201, Second Floor, Shankalp Business Bay, Next to Angalaparameshwari Temple, Binny Mill Road, Bengaluru - 560 023.
PH: - 98450-24985

Regional Plant Resource Centre
FOREST, ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA NAYAPALLI, BHUBANESWAR-751015, ODISHA, INDIA, PHONE:91 674 2557925
E-mail: rprcbbsr@gmail.com. Website:www.rprcbbsr.in

R&D: 03/2025 Letter No.727 /RPRC. **Date:19.04.2025**

WALK-IN-INTERVIEW FOR PROJECT FELLOW

MM-11: Eligible candidates may attend a walk-in-interview at 10.30 A.M. onward on 25th April,2025 (Registration/Reporting strictly from 9.30 A.M to 10.30 A.M) at Regional Plant Resource Centre(RPRC) for temporary positions of Project Fellow, under State Plan Project for the year 2025-26. No T.A./D.A is permissible for attending the interview. Prescribed Application Form & other details can be obtained from RPRC website**(www.rprcbbsr.in)/** RPRC Notice Board.

OIPR-08004/11/0038/2526 **Sd/- Administrative Officer**

OUIDF

Odisha Urban Infrastructure Development Fund
Housing & Urban Development Department, Government of Odisha
SUDA Campus 1st Floor, Plot-172, Vivekananda Marg, Kalpana Square, Bhubaneswar, Odisha-751014,
Ph-0674-2436396, 2436397, E-mail-ouidf.hudd@gmail.com,
Website- www.ouidf.in

Ref No. 01/OUIDF-227/2025 **Date: 17/04/2025**

Request for Proposal for Appointment of Project Management Unit in OUIDF

CAD-180: Odisha Urban Infrastructure Development Fund (OUIDF), a wholly owned Trust of Housing & Urban Development Department, Government of Odisha invites applications from reputed Consultancy Firms for providing Consultancy Services for **Appointment of Project Management Unit** in OUIDF. Interested Firms may download the RFP document from the Websites **www.ouidf.in** or **www.urbanodisha.gov.in** and submit the complete RFP Document on or before **09.06.2025 by 04:00 PM IST** to the above mentioned address.

OIPR-13048/11/0001/2526 **Sd/- Secretary OUIDF**

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, RAYAGADA

Email ID: ccerwcrayagada@gmail.com

O-64 **Letter No.559 /W.E/ Date: 11.04.2025**

NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH GEPNIC e-Procurement Notice

1. Name of the work : Construction & Maintenance of road works for the year 2024-25.(01 No.)
2. Class of contractor : "A" & Special Class of (Odisha PWD) or relevant class of other licensing authority .
3. Estimated Cost : Rs.1055.00 Lakhs (Approximately)
4. Details projects : as per Annexure attached.

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of Tender online for bidding		Last Date and Time of seeking tender clarification	Date & Time of opening of tender	
		From	To		Technical Bid	Financial Bids
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Rayagada	NCB-06/ RWCRG-DA/2025-26	Dt.25.04.2025 at 11.00 A.M.	Dt.16.05. 2025 Up to 5.00 P.M.	Dt.15.05.2025 Up to 5.00 P.M.	Dt.17.05.2025 at 11.00 A.M	Will be intimated later

5. The details of works can be seen from the web site **https://www.tendersorissa.gov.in**
6. Any Corrigendum/Addendum will be displayed in the above e-tender web site.

Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Rayagada

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E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE

APCRDA invites tenders for the following works which can be downloaded on AP e-Procurement portal as per the scheduled dates stated below.

S.No.	NIT No	Name of the work
1	MAU61-USI0INF(OTH) /11/2025-IFR1, Dt.19.04.2025	Providing Raw Water Supply Pipe Line to LPS Villages Kuragallu and Nowluru village tanks along N9 & E12 roads in Amaravathi Capital City. **Est. Cost: Rs.735.00 Lakhs**
2	MAU61-USI0INF(OTH) /12/2025-IFR1, Dt.19.04.2025	Providing Raw Water Supply Pipe Line to Nekkallu, Sakhamuru and Inavolu village tanks from Thulluru Lift Irrigation scheme along N14 & E8 roads in Amaravathi Capital City. **Est. Cost: Rs.865.00 Lakhs**

The bids can be downloaded on AP e-procurement portal from **20.04.2025 to 24.04.2025 up to 14.00 Hrs**. Due date for submission of Bids **24.04.2025 up to 15.00 Hrs**. Technical bid opening **24.04.2025 @16.00 Hrs**.
For further details Please refer to **www.apeprocurement.gov.in** and **www.crda.ap.gov.in**.

Sd/- Chief Engineer(LPS Infra), APCRDA, Vijayawada

HSBC

POSSESSION NOTICE
(For Immovable Property) Rule 8(1)

WHEREAS

The undersigned being the authorized officer of **The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (HSBC)** having its Registered Office at 52/60, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Mumbai 400001, and one of its offices at No. 7, M. G. Road, Bangalore under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated 21.02.2023 u/s 13(2) of the captioned Act, calling upon **M/s Janatha Freight Associated (Borrower),** having office at Ground Floor, 1/3, Sahakara Bhavan, 3rd Main Road, Chamrajpet, Bangalore-560018 and **(i) Mr. Sameera Simha (Guarantor/Mortgagor), (ii) Mrs. Chandrakala, (Personal Guarantor/Mortgagor), (iii) Mr. Manjunath S., (Personal Guarantor/ Mortgagor) and (iv) Mr. Nagaraj S, (Personal Guarantor/ Mortgagor);** to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice being **Rs. 9,56,65,519.92 (Rupees Nine Crores Fifty Six Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Five Hundred Nineteen and Ninety Two Paise Only)** as **on 31.01.2023** together with interest thereon within 60 days from the date of the said Notice.

The borrower, guarantor(s)/mortgagor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower, guarantor(s)/mortgagor and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of HSBC has taken physical possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the captioned Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this 15th day of April of the year 2025.

The borrower, guarantor(s)/mortgagor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of HSBC for an amount of Rs. 9,56,65,519.92 (Rupees Nine Crores Fifty Six Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Five Hundred Nineteen and Ninety Two Paise Only) as on 31.01.2023 along with interest thereon. The borrower, guarantor(s)/ mortgagor attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE MORTGAGED IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of the Commercial Property bearing **Site No. A-10,** New Khata No. 60 (old No. 10), Devaraj Urs Truck Terminal, Industrial Suburb II Stage, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore 560 022, measuring East to West 9.50 mtrs and North to South 23.25 mtrs totally measuring 220.88 sq.mtrs., and bounded on:

East by : Site No. A-11, West by : Site No. A-09,
North by : Road, South by : Site No. A-17.,

Date: 15th April 2025,

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DESCRIPTION OF THE MORTGAGED IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of the Property bearing Site No. 94, Khaneshumari **No. 135/94,** Binnamangala Village, within the limits of Arasinakunte Village Panchayath, Kasba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West 30ft and North to South 40ft, totally measuring 1200 sq.ft., and bounded on:

East by : 30ft Road, West by : Site No.95,
North by : Site No.51, South by : 30ft Road.

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All that part and parcel of the Property bearing **Site No. 51**, Khaneshumari **No. 135/51,** Binnamangala Village, within the limits of, Arasinakunte Village Panchayath, Kasba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet totally measuring 1200 sq.ft., and bounded on:

East by : 30ft Road, West by : Site No.50,
North by : 30ft Road, South by : Site No.94

Date: 15th April 2025,

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(For Immovable Property) Rule 8(1)

WHEREAS

The undersigned being the authorized officer of **The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (HSBC)** having its Registered Office at 52/60, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Mumbai 400001, and one of its offices at No. 7, M. G. Road, Bangalore under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated 21.02.2023 u/s 13(2) of the captioned Act, calling upon **M/s Janatha Freight Associated (Borrower),** having office at Ground Floor, 1/3, Sahakara Bhavan, 3rd Main Road, Chamrajpet, Bangalore-560018 and **(i) Mr. Sameera Simha (Guarantor/Mortgagor), (ii) Mrs. Chandrakala, (Personal Guarantor/Mortgagor), (iii) Mr. Manjunath S., (Personal Guarantor/ Mortgagor) and (iv) Mr. Nagaraj S, (Personal Guarantor/ Mortgagor);** to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice being **Rs. 9,56,65,519.92 (Rupees Nine Crores Fifty Six Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Five Hundred Nineteen and Ninety Two Paise Only)** as **on 31.01.2023** together with interest thereon within 60 days from the date of the said Notice.

The borrower, guarantor(s)/mortgagor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower, guarantor(s)/mortgagor and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of HSBC has taken physical possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the captioned Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this 15th day of April of the year 2025.

The borrower, guarantor(s)/mortgagor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of HSBC for an amount of Rs. 9,56,65,519.92 (Rupees Nine Crores Fifty Six Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Five Hundred Nineteen and Ninety Two Paise Only) as on 31.01.2023 along with interest thereon. The borrower, guarantor(s)/ mortgagor attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE MORTGAGED IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of the Commercial Property bearing **Site No. B-147,** New Khata No. 63 (Old No. 147), PID No.11-64-63, Devaraj Urs Truck Terminal, Industrial Suburb II Stage, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore 560 022, measuring East to West 6.50 mtrs and North to South 20.25 mtrs totally measuring 131.625 sq.mts. and bounded on:

East by : Site No. B-146, West by : Site No. B-148,
North by : Site No. B-96, South by : Road

Date: 15th April 2025,

Authorized Officer
The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corp. Ltd.

₹50,000 CR worth defence exports target India has set for 2029-30, minister Rajnath Singh said on Friday

The unraveling of Gensol Engineering saga

Sebi report earlier this week highlighted Gensol misled everyone — from rating agencies, regulators to investors

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

AT the Bharat Mobility Expo 2025, Gensol Engineering (GEL) dazzled investors and industry watchers with two sleek electric vehicles (EVs), promising production within months. The company even announced 30,000 pre-orders, eliminating concerns that it is struggling with its EV business. But when NSE officials visited Gensol's Pune facility in April, they found an eerie silence — just two-three workers in what was supposed to be a bustling EV factory.

Those 30,000 pre-orders, they were merely MoUs — non-binding agreements with no fixed pricing or delivery timelines. Sebi probe revealed Gensol had misled investors, regulators, and lenders by inflating its order book.

This is one of the many instances when Gensol misled everyone — from credit rating agencies to its investors — as highlighted in the probe report published by the Sebi earlier this week. The regulator accused Anmol Jaggi and his brother Puneet — co-founders of Gensol — of misusing company funds. Sebi alleged money earmarked for Gensol's EV business was diverted to purchase a luxury apartment, among other personal and family expenses.

Shares of the company plummeted another 5% on Thursday, hitting the lower circuit and plunging to a fresh 52-week low of ₹116.54. The stock has slid 90% from its all-time peak.

Writing on The Wall

Sebi's report is not the first instance when questions regarding the finances of Gensol were raised. In early March, two credit rating agencies - Care Ratings and ICRA - downgraded Gensol's ratings. Care Ratings downgraded long-term and short-term bank facilities from BB+ (Stable) to D and ICRA downgraded long and short term loan from BBB- (Stable) to D. The "D" rating stands for default status. The probe showed the first instance of default by Gensol on December 31, 2024, even as the company submitted statements to the CRAs certifying there was no delay or default in servicing any loans. Gensol had concealed facts regarding its debt servicing track record. Delays in servicing debt to Blusmart bondholders and a rise in share pledge to 85.5% highlight issues with financial flexibility.

The high leverage was a big concern. On March 13, the company said its debt stands at ₹1,146 crore against reserves of ₹589 crore, resulting in a high debt-equity ratio of 1.95.

Industry watchers said Gensol has been facing intense competition in the solar EPC sector and BluSmart was burning over ₹20 crore each month to keep its operations running.

Gensol saw a slew of high-profile exits. Gensol CFO Ankit Jain resigned on March 6, indicating that all was not well with the company. After Sebi's report, three independent directors have resigned.

SEBI'S WHIP

Acting swiftly on a complaint filed in June 2024, the Sebi barred the Jaggi brothers from securities markets till further orders. "The prima facie findings have shown misutilisation and diversion of funds in a fraudulent manner by its promoter directors, Anmol Singh Jaggi and Puneet Singh Jaggi, who are also the direct beneficiaries of the diverted funds," said Sebi in the order signed by Ashwani Bhatia, whole-time director of Sebi.

Sebi has accused Gensol of misleading them, credit rating agencies, lenders and investors by submitting forged Conduct Letters. It stated that there is prima facie evidence of a blatant violation of rules of corporate governance. Sebi's probe highlighted how the promoters used the company's fund for personal expenses. The probe stated an alleged misuse of nearly ₹262 crore, which was a amjor part of the ₹978 crore loan from IREDA and PFC. The loan was meant to purchase 6,400 EVs for leasing to BluSmart. Only 4,704 EVs were acquired. A part of these funds were used to purchase real estate, including an ultra-luxurious apartment in DLF Camellias. Other expenses included golf equipment, luxury items and credit card payments.

Industry expresses dismay

CEO of an EV company, requesting anonymity, said he was surprised by Sebi's revelations. Jaggi brothers were building something great from India. BluSmart was perhaps the only ride hailing company which had a loyal customer base. Its abrupt closure is shocking for the industry. He said such incidents give a negative image to the country among global investors. Ace investor Vijay Kedia said Gensol is not the sole company that is riddled with such issues, there are many more hiding in the cupboard. While Kedia refrained from taking names, he hoped that by the time other scams come out it's not too late.

Aman Gupta, co-founder and CMO of boAt and Sabeer Bhatia, co-founder of Hotmail spoke about the burning topic. Gupta described Gensol fraud as a "much-needed reality check" for the start-up ecosystem – founders, investors, employees and customers alike. He added that the incident has dented trust in the ecosystem and listed key takeaways for the founders.

IN THE WORKS

Grey areas of using corporate funds for personal luxury

THESE days, executive compensation of promoters and professional executive directors of listed companies are closely scrutinised by shareholders. The compensation awards by the company are put to vote by shareholders. But being ordinary resolutions where even the promoters get to vote almost all compensation proposals pass through easily. There is a reason for regulators to considering barring promoters from voting on compensations awarded to themselves.

However, what is usually not very transparent are the perquisites, the perks and benefits that don't always show up in the main compensation package. In many Indian companies, top executives enjoy a range of benefits beyond their salary. These include:

- Fully furnished houses
- Electricity, gas, water bills
- Club memberships
- Medical reimbursements
- Company cars with drivers
- Telephone, internet at home
- Leave travel for executive sand their family

Some of these perks are allowed and even tax-exempt. For example, if a car or a phone is used strictly for company work, it doesn't count as a perk. But how can one prove that? Things start to blur. One company even had put out detailed explanation stating "eligible for leave travel concession, for self and family once in a year for any destination in India, which shall not be included in the computation of the ceiling on perquisites.

The provision of a car for use on company's business and phone at residence will not be considered as perquisites. Personal long distance calls and use of car for private purposes shall be billed by the company".

WHEN IT CROSSES THE LINE

The bigger problem is when promoters and directors go beyond just taking perks. In many cases, companies buy expensive items like luxury cars, houses, or even furniture in the company's name — but the real benefit goes to the promoter's personal life. These could outrightly be flagged as "embezzlement". This is a clever way to enjoy a rich lifestyle without showing a high salary. And because it is not listed as income, it avoids taxes too. This is unfair to shareholders, employees, and tax payers.

THE GENSOL CASE

In the case of Gensol Engineering, Sebi found that the company had taken loans worth ₹978 crore, out of which ₹664 crore were meant for buying 6,400 electric vehicles (EVs). But only 4,704 EVs were actually bought. Sebi investigation showed that a lot of this money was used for personal luxuries by the promoters, including:

- A luxury flat in DLF Camellias worth ₹42.94 crore
- An investment of ₹50 lakh in a startup Third Unicorn
- Lavish travel, including bookings on MakeMyTrip
- A golf set worth ₹26 lakh
- Funds transferred to family members

Diverting company funds for personal use can be considered a "criminal breach of trust" under Indian law (IPC Sections 405 and 406), and can lead to jail time of up to 3 years. When a company hides personal expenses under business accounts:

- It gives a false picture of the financials of the company
- It misleads investors & shareholders
- It can lead to tax penalties
- It increases audit, compliance costs

SEBI needs to crack down harder on such misuse. They should:

- Make disclosure rules more transparent
- Ensure independent audits of executive perks
- Bar promoters from voting on compensations awarded to promoters themselves
- Enforce strict penalties

While shareholders vote they decide on the merit of the executive compensation. However, promoters need to make sure that company money is used for business growth, not for luxury flats, golf kits, or personal travel.

Promoters have every right to earn well, but it should be fair, and justified. At the end of the day, corporate funds are not a personal piggy bank.

SHRIRAM SUBRAMANIAN
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Elon Musk to visit India later this year

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

SPACE X founder Elon Musk, in a social media post, on Saturday said he spoke to Prime Minister Narendra Modi over the phone and is planning to visit the country later this year.

"It was an honour to speak with PM Modi. I am looking forward to visiting India later this year," Musk said on X. This response came as a reply to the Prime Minister's social media post, in which Modi said he spoke to Elon Musk and both covered various issues during their phone call. These included topics that featured in their discussions when PM Modi visited Washington earlier this year, such as space, mobility, and technology. "We discussed the potential for collaboration in the areas of technology and innovation. India remains committed to advancing our partnerships with the US in these domains," PM Modi had said.

This is the second time Musk has announced plans to visit India. The Tesla founder announced coming to India in May 2024. However, the plan was postponed. Later, Musk clarified that India had "very heavy Tesla obligations." He announced that he would visit India later in 2024, but that plan didn't work out either. Musk, seen as being close to Trump and also heads the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE), is looking at making inroads into India. Tesla is preparing for its India debut. Tesla plans to ship a few thousand electric vehicles to a port near Mumbai in the upcoming months.

Q4 EARNINGS

HDFC Bank profit up 6.7% at ₹17,616 cr

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

THE largest private sector lender, HDFC Bank, on Saturday reported a Street-beating numbers. The bank reported a 6.7% year-on-year growth in standalone net profit at ₹17,616 crore for the fourth quarter of financial year 2024-25.

On a sequential basis, the bank's net profit rose 5.3%. The better-than-expected numbers are driven by better asset quality, and a drop in provisions and contingencies from a high ₹13,510 crore in March 2024 to a low to ₹3,190 crore in the reporting quarter.

Gross non-performing assets (NPAs) fell to 1.33% in March 2025, from 1.42% in December 2024. However, it expanded from 1.24% a year ago. Net NPAs stood at 0.43% as against 0.46% in a quarter ago period and 0.33% the previous year.

In absolute terms, gross NPAs fell to ₹35,222.64 crore as against ₹36,018.58 crore in December 2024 and from ₹31,173.32 crore in March 2024, Srinivasan Vaidyanathan, chief financial officer of the bank, told reporters on a concall on Saturday.

He, however, refused to offer any outlook on loan, deposit or margin growth, saying they will grow with the industry or marginally higher depending on how the market demands.

But he was hopeful of credit-deposit ratio reaching the premerger level of over 87% from the next fiscal and reach the premerger level by the end of the current fiscal.

Even though asset quality of the bank has deteriorated, provisions and contingencies for the reporting quarter plunged to ₹3,190 crore from ₹13,510 crore in March 2024.

The key net interest income grew 10.3% to ₹32,070 crore from ₹29,080 crore and from ₹30,650 crore in the December quarter.

Net interest margin was at 3.54% of total assets and at 3.73% based on interest earning assets. Excluding ₹700 crore of interest on income tax refund, core net interest margin was at 3.46% of total assets, and 3.65% based on interest earning assets. Other income or non-interest/fee revenue for the quarter stood at ₹12,030 crore, of which fees & commissions were ₹8,530 crore, foreign exchange & derivatives revenue were of ₹1,440 crore, net trading and mark to market gain were of ₹390 crore and miscellaneous income, including recoveries and dividend of ₹1,670 crore. The bank has said the board has recommended a dividend of ₹22/share for FY25.

ICICI Bank profit jumps 18% to ₹12,630 crore, driven by rise in margins; beats Street estimates

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

THE second-largest private sector lender, ICICI Bank, on Saturday reported a street beating earnings for the fourth quarter of FY25. The bank reported 18% year-on-year rise in standalone net profit at ₹12,629.58 crore, driven by a steep rise in margins, better asset quality and higher recoveries.

On a sequential basis, net income rose 7.1%. Gross non-performing asset shrunk to 1.67% from 1.96% the previous quarter, and 2.16% a year ago. Similarly, net NPAs declined to 0.39% from 0.42% a year ago. In absolute terms, gross NPAs fell to ₹24,166.18 crore in the reporting quarter compared to ₹27,745.33 crore in December 2024, and ₹27,961.68 crore in March 2024. Provisions for bad loans increased to ₹891 crore in Q4FY25 from ₹718 crore in Q4FY24 and ₹1,227 crore in Q3FY25, the management told reporters Saturday in a concall. The provisioning coverage ratio on NPAs stood at 76.2%.

The bank's total deposits during the quarter rose 14% and 5.9% on sequentially to ₹16.11 trillion. Average deposits increased 11.4% YoY and 1.9% sequentially to ₹14.87 trillion. Average current account deposits rose 9.6% on-year and 1.4% sequentially. Average savings account deposits rose 10.1% on-year and 0.2% sequentially.

Domestic advances grew 13.9% on-year and 2.2% sequentially. Of this retail loan portfolio grew 8.9% on-year and 2% sequentially, and comprised 52.4% of the total loan portfolio. Including non-fund outstanding, the retail portfolio was 43.8% of the total portfolio. The business banking portfolio grew 33.7% on-year and 6.2% and the rural portfolio grew 5.1% on-year and declined by 1.5% sequentially. The domestic corporate portfolio grew 11.9% on-year and declined by 0.4% sequentially. Total advances rose 13.3% on-year and 2.1% sequentially to ₹13.42 lakh crore.

YES BANK REPORTS 63% RISE IN NET PROFIT TO ₹738 CR

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

IMPROVED asset quality and lower provisions for dud loans, along with higher fee income, buoyed the bottomline of Yes Bank at 63.3% year-on-year to ₹738.12 crore in Q4FY25, helping the lender to nearly double its annual earnings to ₹2,406 crore, the highest since its crisis in March 2020.

Prashant Kumar, the RBI-appointed rescuer since the crisis and chief executive officer, addressing the press on Saturday attributed the better set of numbers to the overall strong performance, supported by higher non-interest income, lower provisions, and an improved asset quality.

The bank's total income during the quarter marginally rose to ₹9,355.4 crore from ₹9,015.8 crore a year ago.

I don't see title of Doctor'as just badge of honor: Prabhudesai

Thane: I do not see the title of 'Doctor' as just an honor to be attached to name, but the thought behind it is important for the industry. 'D' - 'differentiator' means uniqueness of our product, 'O' - 'objective' means having clear goal and objective of the industry, 'C' - 'collectively' means teamwork and unity, 'T' - time management means strict planning of time, 'O' - order means planned implementation, 'R' - result means ensuring 100% results. Every letter in the word 'Doctor' is foundation of the success of Pitambari Industries. That is why I (Dr. Ravindra Prabhudesai) dedicate 'Doctorate' degree that I have received to organization that supports Pitambari Industries.

Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers begins production of multi-purpose vessels

Kolkata: It was a momentous occasion for Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) on Thursday, April 17, 2025, as the shipyard cut steel for the eight ship multi-purpose vessel (MPV) project being executed for Germany's Carsten Rehder Schiffsmakler and Reederei GmbH & Co. KG. This marks GRSE's first major export order for MPVs. The ceremony was graced by Cmde PR Hari, IN (Retd), Chairman & MD of GRSE and Thomas Rehder, MD of Carsten Rehder. Present on the occasion were RK Dash, director (finance), GRSE, Cdr Shantanu Bose, IN(Retd), director (shipbuilding), GRSE, DIG Subrato Ghosh, ICG(Retd), director (personnel), GRSE, Abhishek Ranjan, IOFS, CVO, GRSE, senior officials from GRSE and representatives from the German shipping firm.

Business & Beyond

AM/NS India empowers self-help groups with new apparel unit in Keonjhar

Keonjhar: ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel India (AM/NS India) laid foundation stone for construction of the Gandhamardan apparel unit in Jatra village, Banspal block, Keonjhar under its CSR initiative Project 'Nirman'. This upcoming apparel unit will provide enhanced livelihood opportunities to the Gandhamardan Apparel Farmer Production Company (FPC) which consists of over 480 women from 80 local self-help groups (SHGs). While the land will be provided by the villagers and the FPC, AM/NS India will construct the building complex. The establishment will feature workspace to accommodate 75 stitching units and amenities like store, office, sales counters, rest rooms, and toilet facilities along with power supply and DG back up. Once construction is complete, the infrastructure will help the FPCto scale up their activities as part of Odisha Livelihoods Mission and Mission Shakti. It will help the members establish viable enterprises.

Grand opening of Union Bank of India branch at Padmapur Bargarh

Sambalpur: Union Bank of India, a public sector bank, has opened branch at Padmapur, Bargarh district with modern banking facilities. This is the 21st branch of bank in the district with all the modern facilities for customers in and around Padmapur, with a special focus to cater the needs of retail, agri & MSME clientele. The branch will cater to the needs of depositors and senior citizens of the area with a focus on financial inclusion & implementation of various govt schemes. This branch is inaugurated by Dr. Mukesh Mahaling, Minister of Health & Family Welfare, Parliamentary Affairs, Electronics & IT , Govt of Odisha on 17.04.2025.

Sandeep Patnaik joins as director (HR) OHPC

Sandeep Patnaik has joined as director (HR) of OHPC on April 17, 2025. With over three and a half decades of experience in human resources, leadership coaching, organisational development, and skill enhancement, Patnaik brings to OHPC a record of strategic leadership and transformative HR initiatives. His expertise in developing workforce strategies and fostering inclusive, high-performing organisational cultures positions him to lead OHPC's HR functions into a new era of excellence. Prior to this, Patnaik served as executive director (HR & skill development) at Hindustan Aeronautics, where he spearheaded skill enhancement initiatives.

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT
ENGINEERING WING,
(Office of the Executive Engineer, H & F W D Engg., Division, Fort Road, Dharwad- 580 008)
Phone No:-0836 – 2955800 **(E-mail: eehfwedvndwd1@gmail.com)**

No: EE/H&FW Engg./Div/Dwd/Tender/Notification-AAM-Bgl/ 29 /2025-26 **Date: 19.04.2025**

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Executive Engineer, H&FWD, Engg., Division, Dharwad invites tender from contractors registered in KPWD in double cover system as per KTPP Act 1999 & Rules 2000 through KPP Portal for the following works.

Sl. No	Name of Work	Est. amount (Rs. in lakhs)	EMD amount (Rs. in lakhs)	Class of contractor	Period of completion (including monsoon)	Category of contractor
	WELLNESS CENTERS (15th Finance)					
1	Construction of Sub Center Ayushman Arogya Mandir (SC-AAM) at Karaguppi attached to Basapur PHC in Hukkeri Tq., Belagavi District	55.07	1.10	Class III & above	6 Months	Others
2	Construction of Sub Center Ayushman Arogya Mandir (SC-AAM) at Masaraguppi attached to Arjunwada PHC in Hukkeri Tq., Belagavi District	55.07	1.10	Class III & above	6 Months	Others
3	Construction of Sub Center Ayushman Arogya Mandir (SC-AAM) at Mattiwad attached to B.Alur PHC in Hukkeri Tq., Belagavi District	55.07	1.10	Class III & above	6 Months	Others
4	Construction of Sub Center Ayushman Arogya Mandir (SC-AAM) at Shippur attached to B.Alur PHC in Hukkeri Tq., Belagavi District	55.07	1.10	Class III & above	6 Months	Others

Calendar events:
Last date for receipt of tender: **28.04.2025 up to 16.00 hrs**
Date of opening of technical bid: **29.04.2025 up to 16.30 hrs**

The tender details can be downloaded from the KPP platform (www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in) Tenders shall be submitted electronically, EMD, Tender Processing Fee shall also be paid electronically. Interested contractors shall register on the KPP platform to participate in this tender.

NOTE:-**1)** All the rights are reserved by the under signed for postponement or cancellation of entire Tender process, rejection of bids/individual bid etc., without assigning any reason.
2) Henceforth, any changes in the schedule will not be published through newspapers and further changes in respect of this tender notification will be uploaded on KPP portal only.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
H&FWD Engg. Division,Dharwad.

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Syndicate

REGIONAL OFFICE-HAVERI
Sri Daneshwari Motors Compound, #153/A, Near Fire Brigade, Haveri-Hanagal Road, HAVERI - 581110

REDEMPTION NOTICE

Ref:ROHVR/REC/RED/NTC TRADERS **Dated: 28.03.2025**

To the Borrower/Guarantors/Mortgagor:1.M/S. N T CHALIGERI TRADER (BORROWER),
PROP. SHIVAPRAKASH B KANCHIKERE, AT POST RANEBENNUR,HAVERI-581115
2.MUTTURAJ N CHALAGERI (GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR) S/O NAGARAJAPPA, TIPPAIKOPPA, MASUR HIREKERUR -581210
3.NAGARAJ T CHALAGERI (GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR), TIPPAIKOPPA, TQ HIREKERUR 581210
4.BHAGYAMMA NAGARAJ CHALAGERI (GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR), KODAMAGGI, MASUR 581210
5.CHAITRA NAGARAJ CHALAGERI (GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR) KODAMAGGI, MASUR 581210
6.SHILPA SHIVAPRAKASH KANCHIKER (GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR) AT, HNO 64 TIPPAIKOPPA, TQ, HIREKERUR-581210
7.B M SOMASHEKHAR PATEL (GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR) B M MURTHUNJAYYA PATEL, RESIDING AT NO. 1462, 8th MAIN, 1st CROSS, JUDICIAL LAYOUT, YELAHANKA, BANGALORE 560065

Subject: Notice for exercising the right of redemption under Section 13 (8) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act")

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Canara Bank, **Masur Branch,** Haveri Regional office(hereinafter referred to as "the secured creditor"), appointed under the Act do hereby issue this notice, under Section 13(8) of the Act read with Rule 8(6) of the SARFAESI Rules, to you all as under:

As you all are aware that the secured creditor had issued the Demand Notices, under Section 13(2) of the Act, on **03/12/2024** (date of Demand Notice), to the borrower **M/S. N T CHALIGERI TRADER** (name of Borrower/ Mortgagor/Guarantor), the mortgagor and the guarantors (above mentioned names), demanding to pay an amount of Rs. 18,12,00,259.89 (Rupees Eighteen Crores Twelve Lacs Two Hundred Fifty Nine and Paise Eighty Nine Only), and interest stated thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices.

Since, the Borrowers / Firm, the mortgagors and the Guarantor (above mentioned names) having failed to repay the amount mentioned in the above said demand notices, the Authorized Officer under Section 13(4) of the Act had taken symbolic/Physical possession of the secured assets described in the Possession Notice as per **Schedule A**. Further, the said symbolic/ Physical possession notice was duly published in two News Papers as mentioned in **Schedule A**.

To comply with the provision of SARFAESI Act, 2002 read with Rule 8(6) of SARFAESI Rules, you all are hereby given a last and final opportunity to redeem and reclaim the secured assets, which are in possession of the secured creditor, within 30 days from the receipt of this notice, by discharging the liability of **Rs. 18,34,84,891.11 (Rupees Eighteen Crores Thirty Four Lacs Eighty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety One and Paise Eleven Only)** as on 27/03/2025, plus subsequent interest, costs and expenses in full, failing which the sale notice under the Act will be published in the newspaper specifying one of the following modes mentioned below, to sell the secured assets:
i. By obtaining quotations from the persons dealing with similar secured assets or otherwise interested in buying assets; or
ii. By inviting tenders from the public; or
iii. By holding public auction including through e-auction mode; or
iv. By private treaty.

As per Section **13(8)** of the Act, you are entitled to redeem the secured Assets at any time before the date of publication of sale notice in Newspapers, failing which your Right to redeem the mortgaged property as per Section **13(8)** of the Act shall stand extinguished.

This is without prejudice to any other rights available to the secured creditor under the subject Act/ or any other law in force.

Thanking You.

CANARA BANK
AUTHORISED OFFICER

Schedule-A:

1) Property **GP No. 540/P** e-Swatu No. 151200301300100246 situated at Banuvalli Village, Harihar Tq, Davangere District.
Extent – EW:15.24 METERS & NS: 12.192 METERS
Boundaries:E – House of M G Kotreshappa, W – House of M G Nagrajappa, N – Road, S – Road
MORTGAGOR:S B Kanchigeri, POSSESSION DATE:20.02.2025,
PAPER PUBLICATION DATE:22.02.2025 NEWS PAPER:1. The New Indian Express, 2. Samyukata Karnataka

2)Property **GP No. 1308 A/2 & 1308A/3** and it's NA RS No. 184/Plot No. 13P, 184/Plot No. 13P1 situated at Masur Village, Rattihalli Tq, Haveri District.
Extent–10 Ane, 2 Paisa & 1 Gunta, 05 Ane 31 Paisa respectively
Boundaries for 1308 A/2:E – Property of Basavraj Jiber, W–Prop. of Tabarej Mattikote, N–Prop. of Jayamma Maravalli, S – GP Road
Boundaries for 1308 A/3:E- Prop of Tabarej Mattikote, W- Prop of V Ckadarmundalgi, N- Prop of Jayamma Maravalli, S- GP Road
MORTGAGOR:S B Kanchigeri, POSSESSION DATE:20.02.2025,
PAPER PUBLICATION DATE:22.02.2025 NEWS PAPER:1. The New Indian Express, 2. Samyukata Karnataka

3)Property **GP Property No. 585** e-Swatu No. 151700402400120229 situated at Masur Village, Rattihalli Tq, Haveri District.
Extent – 3402.00 SQFT
Boundaries:E – House & open space of Basappa Madlur & others, W – Backyard of Kenchappa P and others, N – GP Road, S – Govt. Land
MORTGAGOR:NT CHALAGERI, POSSESSION DATE:20.02.2025,
PAPER PUBLICATION DATE:22.02.2025 NEWS PAPER:1. The New Indian Express, 2. Samyukata Karnataka

4)Property **Sy No. 21** site No. 202/40, PID No. 40-508-992, Assesment No. 649/25/19/202/40 situated at Gullobanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanhalli Tq, Bangalore Rural District.
Extent – 1114.8360 SQMT
Boundaries:E – SITE NO. 202/41, W – ROAD, N – SITE NO. 202/39,S – ROAD
MORTGAGOR:NAGARAJ T CHALAGERI, POSSESSION DATE:26.03.2025,
PAPER PUBLICATION DATE:28.03.2025 NEWS PAPER:1. The New Indian Express, 2. Samyukata Karnataka

5)Property **Sy No. 12/1** (Old Sy No. 12) RDPR No. 150300200900220157 situated at Kurubarakunte Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanhalli Tq, Bangalore Rural District.
Extent – 1 Acre
Boundaries:E – PE MATHEW'S LAND, W –SUBBARAYAPPA'S LAND, N – DONGARA, S–DODDABALLAPURA VIJAYAPURA ROAD
MORTGAGOR:NAGARAJ T CHALAGERI, POSSESSION DATE:26.03.2025,
PAPER PUBLICATION DATE:28.03.2025 NEWS PAPER:1. The New Indian Express, 2. Samyukata Karnataka

6)Property RS No. **162/2D** to the extent of 00A-29G in its GPC No. 2170 measuring 2933.93 SQMTR open site situated in Masur Village, Ratihalli Tq, Haveri District.
Extent – 00A-29G
Boundaries:E – LAND OF RS NO. 162/2B, W – LAND OF RS NO. 162/1, N – ROAD, S – LAND OF RS NO. 162/2A
MORTGAGOR:CHAITRA N CHALAGERI, POSSESSION DATE:27.03.2025,
PAPER PUBLICATION DATE:28.03.2025 NEWS PAPER:1. The New Indian Express, 2. Samyukata Karnataka

7)Porperty GPC No. 185 measuring 4150.07 SQMTRS at Kodamaggi Village in Rattihalli Tq, Haveri Dist.
Boundaries:N: LAND OF BELAKERAPPA SHIVAPPAL IT'S RS NO. 91, S: GOVT. ROAD, E: REMAINING PRO. OF PLOT NO. 2, W: PROPERTY OF JAGADISH NARODI & GIRIYAPPA PUJAR
MORTGAGOR:BHAGYAMMA N CHALAGERI, POSSESSION DATE:27.03.2025,
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8)Porperty GPC No. 183 measuring 4048.93 SQMTRS at Kodamaggi Village in Rattihalli Tq, Haveri Dist.
Boundaries:N: LAND OF BELAKERI SHIVVAPPA IT'S RS NO. 91, S: GOVT. ROAD, E: REMAINING PROPERTY OF PLOT NO. 2, W: PROPERTY OF JAGADISH NAROTI & GIRIYAPPA PUJAR
MORTGAGOR:BHAGYAMMA N CHALAGERI, POSSESSION DATE:27.03.2025,
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9)Porperty GPC No. 186 measuring 4150.07 SQMTRS at Kodamaggi Village in Rattihalli Tq, Haveri Dist.
Boundaries:N: LAND OF BELAKERI SHIVVAPPA IT'S RS NO. 91, S: GOVT. ROAD, E: REMAINING PROPERTY OF PLOT NO. 2, W: PROPERTY OF JAGADISH NARODI & GIRIYAPPA PUJAR
MORTGAGOR:BHAGYAMMA N CHALAGERI, POSSESSION DATE:27.03.2025,
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10) Property GPC No. 184 measuring 1012.23 SQMTRS at Kodamaggi Village in Rattihalli Tq, Haveri Dist.
Boundaries:N: RS NO. 91 LAND, S: GOVT. ROAD, E: LAND OF BHAGYAMMA CHALAGERI, W: LAND OF BHAGYAMMA CHALAGERI
MORTGAGOR:BHAGYAMMA N CHALAGERI, POSSESSION DATE:27.03.2025,
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WESTERN RAILWAY
PROVISION OF SIDE PATHWAY ON BRIDGE

Dy. CE (Bridge-Line), Western Railway, Dadar, invites **Tender Notice No.: DYCE-BR-DDR-2025-07, Date: 16.04.2025. Name of Work**: Provision of Side pathway on Bridge No. 135, 143, 192, 166, 203, 230, 239, 264, 288, 336, 339, 340, 352, 358, 359, 400, 401, 411, 419, 428 & 440 UP/DN in SAH-ST Section & Br. No. 31, 76, 94, 98 DN and 110, 52A UP/DN in Udhna - Jalgaon section in the jurisdiction of ADEN (Bridge) BL of Mumbai Division. **Approximate cost of the work**: ₹ 10,65,92,796.35. **EMD**: ₹ 6,83,000/-. **Date and time for submission of e-tender**: Till 15.05.2025, 15:00 Hrs. **Date and time for opening of e-tender**: On 15.05.2025 at 15:30 Hrs. For further details please visit our website **www.ireps.gov.in** 0057

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that my client is intent to purchase the Property bearing Site No.8 and 9, in the Layout **"SRI VINAYAKA RESIDENCY - II"** formed in the Property No.83, Situated at **K. CHANNASANDRA VILLAGE (KALKERE CHANNASANDRA),** K.R.Pura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Presently under BBMP Limits, measuring **East to West 40 Feet and North to South On the Eastern Side 57 Feet and Western Side 63 Feet, in all total measuring 2400 Sq.Ft,** with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on;
EAST BY : Site No.7;
WEST BY : Road,
NORTH BY: Property Belongs to Siddappa and Mallappa;
SOUTH BY: 34 feet Rood;

from it's present Owners **SRI. M. SHIVAKUMAR,** S/o Sri. M. Muniyappa **Mr. K V VENKATARAMANA** S/o Sri. Venkataramaiah and **Mr. K V SRINIVASA** S/o Sri. Venkataramaiah

Persons having any right over the said property may lodge their objections/claims with documentary evidence within 8 days from this day to the undersigned. In the absence of any claims within the above said period. it shall be deemed that there are no such claims or that if there are any claims and they have not been made, it shall be deemed to have been waived.

SRI VINAYAKA ASSOCIATES,
Advocates,
No.999/8, Second Floor, 5th Cross,
ORR,Horamavu, Bangalore-560 043.
Mob: 8867250609

PUBLIC NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE THAT, my clients are intend to purchase the property described below (Schedule Property) from **Sri. Vivek Prakash** aged about 55 years and Smt. Meeta Chandra, aged about 55 years, both are Residing at # B-2-820, Sobha Quartz, Near Outer Ring Road, Sarjapura, Bellandur, Bangalore-560037. Sri. Vivek Prakash and Smt. Meeta Chandra are the absolute owners and is in peaceful possession and enjoyment of the Schedule Property is free from all encumbrances. The Schedule Property is their self-acquired property, and all records, including Katha and other revenue records, are duly registered in their names.

Any person, firm, institution, or company having any claim or right in respect of the Schedule Property by way of inheritance, share, sale agreement, sale, mortgage, lease, lien, license, gift, possession, legal heirs, partners or encumbrance howsoever or otherwise is hereby required to intimate in writing to the undersigned in within **Fifteen (15) days** from the date of publication of this notice of his/her/their share or claim, if any, with all supporting documents failing which the transaction shall be completed without reference to such claim and the claims, if any, of such person shall be treated as waived and not binding on our clients.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of residential property bearing vacant site **No.1254**, Handenahalli Grama Panchayath E-Swathu No.15020010 2701001348, VP Property No.184/1254, Measurement EW: 18.288 Meters and NS: 12.192 Meters, total measuring 222.97 Square Meters, formed in Survey No.166/2 and various adjoining survey numbers, in the Layout known as **"Best Town Ship"** formed by M/s. The BEML Employees Co-Op. Society Limited". Approved by BMRDA, Situated at S. Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, and bounded on: **East by :** Road, **West by:** Site No.1245, **North by:** Site No.1253, **South by :** Site No.1255.

Advocate for Prospective Purchasers.
Manjunath H.R, Advocate,
No.3046, 1st Floor, 8th Cross, 14th Main,
WOC Road, RPC Layout, Bengaluru-560040,
PH:9901606467,
E-Mail:dhruvikalawassociates@gmail.com

SURABHI SOUHARDHA CREDIT CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED.,
02, Surabhi Sahakari Sadan, 2nd Floor, 13th Cross, Attimabbe Road, C.T. Bed Extension, Banashankari 2nd Stage, Bengaluru - 560070. Ph: 080-26794511, Mob: 9742060295,9606976569, 9606976572, E-mail:sscclt@ymail.com

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Where as the Co-op Limited acting through its Chief Executive Officer / Authorised Officer, in exercise of its powers under Section 13(4) of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFAESI) has decided to put up for E-Auction the Schedule property for realization of the debts due to the Co-op Limited, upon the following terms and conditions:

CONDITIONS OF E-AUCTION

a. E-Auction is being on **"As is where is" and "What is there is"** and the Co-op Limited is not responsible for title, condition or any other fact affecting the property.
b. The E-auction will take place through portal **https://bankauctions.in.** at the Date and Time as mentioned below:-
c. The intending tenderer/bidder shall deposit with the Authorised Officer/ Chief Executive Officer an amount equivalent to 10% of reserve price by way of Earnest Money Deposit in the account of, **"Surabhi Souhardha Credit Co-operative Limited" Banashankari Branch Bangalore.** by Demand Draft or **Bank of India** for NEFT/RTGS to **Current Account No.848320110000033 And IFSC Code: BKID0008483** at the same time bidder has to submit the e-bid form available on **www.auctionbazaar.com** before the date and time mentioned above and shall obtain written receipt thereof from the branch/Authorised Officer/ Chief Executive Officer.
d. Bidder should have valid digital signature certificate (Class- ii/iii) to participate in the e-auction. For details with regards to digital signature, registration and training may please contact **Auction Bazaar Contact Details: 8370969696, 7799728999, Email ID: disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com and contact@auctionbazaar.com.**
e. The particulars specified in Schedule have been stated to the best of information of the Co-op Limited and the Co-op Limited will not be answerable for any error, mis-statement or omission.
f. For the reasons recorded, it shall be in the EMD submitted by bidders and the Co-op Limited would not entertain any claim or any representation in that regard from the bidders.
g. The person declared to be the successful bidder shall deposit 25% (twenty five percent) of sale price, less EMD deposited immediately and remaining amount shall be paid within 15 days from the date of auction. In case of failure to adhere any payment schedule, the amount paid will be forfeited and Authorise Officer will be at liberty to cancel the auction and conduct fresh auction.
h. On receipt of the entire sale consideration the Authorised Officer shall issue the Sale Certificate and the sale shall be complete thereafter and the Co-op Limited shall entertain no claims.
i. Nothing in this notice constitutes or will be deemed to constitute any commitment or representation on the part of the Co-op Limited to sell the property. Co-op Limited reserves the right to cancel the sale for any reason it may deem fit or even without assigning any reason and such cancellation shall not be called in question by the bidders.

1. Name and address of the Borrower and Guarantor/ Co-Obligant: (1) ML-MORTGAGE LOAN-00001000216, M/s.Organize India Real Estate Development LLP, No.95, Ground Floor, Utopia Tarabanahally Chikjala, Bengaluru-562175. **Represented by its Partners: 1. Sri Shravan Nayar, 2. Ms.Natasha Nayar, 3. Sri V K Dinesh Kumar, 4. Sri.Veliyath Krishnan Nayar. (2) ML MORTGAGE LOAN-00001000227, 1. Sri V K Dinesh Kumar S/o Nayar VK,** No.95, Utopia, Tarabanahalli, Chikjala, Bengaluru-562175. **2.Sri. Veliyath Krishnan Nayar S/o E N Nayar,** No.95, Utopia, Tarabanahalli, Chikjala, Bengaluru-562175.

The secured debt for the recovery of which the movable/immovable secured asset is to be sold: 1) A/c No. 00001000216 of Rs. 5,61,54,030, 2) ML A/c No.00001000227 of Rs. 2,85,96,189, and total of Rs.8,47,50,219/- (Rupees Eight Crore Fourty Seven Lakh Fifty Thousand Two Hundred Nineteen only) as on 31.03.2025

Schedule 'A' Property: All the piece and parcel of converted land (as per conversion order No. BDS. ALN (NA) 97:94-95 dated 02-01-1995 issued by the Dy. Commissioner, Bengaluru, in respect of Sy No.124) with trees, if any, and house/building to be built, the trees to be planted, developments that may be made, together with all the rights and easements appertaining thereto now and hereafter enjoyed and acquired property bearing Sy No.124, situated at Tarabanahalli Village, JalaHobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Khatha No.35 measuring 3 (Three) acres of converted land and bounded on: **East by:** Sri Narayanappa's property **West by:** Gadenahally Boundary **North by:** Karab Pavil land **South by:** Sri Dharmarao's Property.

Schedule 'B' Property: Plots Details:**(Salable Areas). (1) Plot No: 11.** Extent (Sq Feet) 85X115=9775 **Boundaries.East By:** Site No.10. **West By:** Site No.12. **North By:** Road. **South By:** Site No.18 **(2) Plot No:12.** Extent (Sq Feet) 85X115=9775 **Boundaries. East By:** Site No.11. **West By:** Site No.13. **North By:** Road. **South By:** Site No.17. **(3) Plot No:13.**Extent (Sq Feet) 85X115=9775 **Boundaries. East By:** Site No.12. **West By:** Site No.14. **North By:** Road. **South By:** Site No.16. **(4) Plot No:16** Extent (Sq Feet) 85X115=9775 **Boundaries. East By:** Site No.17. **West By:** Site No.15. **North By:** Site No.13.**South By:**Road. **(5) Plot No:17**. Extent (Sq Feet) 85X115=9775 **Boundaries. East By:** Site No.18. **West By:** Site No.16.**North By:** Site No.12. **South By:** Road.

Reserve Price: Rs. 4,88,00,000/-	**EMD: Rs. 48,80,000/-**
Plot No. 11 - Rs. 4,88,00,000/-	**Rs. 48,80,000/-**
Plot No. 12 - Rs. 4,88,00,000/-	**Rs. 48,80,000/-**
Plot No. 13 - Rs. 4,88,00,000/-	**Rs. 48,80,000/-**
Plot No. 16 - Rs. 4,88,00,000/-	**Rs. 48,80,000/-**
Plot No. 17 - Rs. 4,88,00,000/-	**Rs. 48,80,000/-**

Date & Time of Auction : 15.05.2025 at 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM (with 10 min unlimited auto extensions), Last date for submission of EMD & e-Bid Form: On or before14.05.2025, before 4.30 PM
E auction website - www.auctionbazaar.com Increment value Rs. 50,000/-& such multiples

Contact Persons: Chief Executive Officer: 080-26794511, Mobile No. 9606976569 and 9606976572 OR Mr. Shivashankar A Mob: 9480401348 (M/s Supreme Enforcement Services)

Date: 19.04.2025
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/-
Authorised Officer / Chief Executive Officer
Surabhi Souhardha Credit Co-operative Limited

Government of Karnataka - Karnataka Forest Department
Office of the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Hosanagara Forest Division, Hosanagara.
District: Shivamogga, e-Mail ID: acfhnr@gmail.com
No: ACF/HNR/KFDF Flexi/CR-1/2025-26/04 Date:16.04.2025

e-Tender Notice (Short Term e-Tender Notice Through e-Procurement Portal)

Unitwar Tenders are invited through e-Procurement Portal in two cover system from interested forest contractors having minimum of 05 (five) years experience for implementing 83 formation of plantations and maintenance works of Approx. Amount Rs.2,42,72,420=00 under KFDF Flexi Scheme in the limits of various forest zones of Sagar Division for the year 2025-26. Last date for submission of Tender is fixed as: 24.04.2025 up to 4.30 PM. Complete details of works and places are explained in the e-Procurement Portal. For further information this office can be contacted and details regarding the Tender can be obtained from the official website http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- Assistant Conservator of Forests,
Hosanagara Sub Division, Hosanagara.

DIPR/smg/ksmca/25-26/76/04/88

Punjab & Sind Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)
Chickpet Area Branch : 678-679, S.B. Market Lane, Bengaluru-560053.
Phone: 080-22267476, 22269355, E-mail : B0348@psb.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)
Notice u/s 13(4) of the SARFAESI ACT, 2002
Rule 8(1) of the Security (Enforcement) Interest Rules, 2002

Whereas the undersigned being Authorized officer of Punjab & Sind Bank under the SARFAESI ACT- 2002 in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with the relevant rules of the security interest (enforcement) rules, 2002 issued demand notice under section 13(2) on **30.01.2025** ,calling upon the borrower- **M/s Vishwam Crafts** Registered office address NO. A-22(A), Municipal No. 37/3-01, 2nd floor, A Block , Brigade MM, Yediyur Village, Bengaluru- 560082, **Mr. N. G. Karthik (Partner)** Residence address: No. 427, 5th Cross behind holy saint school , Jayanagar, 7th Block banashankari II stage Bangalore-560070, **Mrs. Deepa L. W/o N. G. Karthik (Partner)** residence address:No. 427, 5th Cross behind holy saint school, Jayanagar, 7th Block banashankari II stage Bangalore-560070,**Mr. N. V. Gopinath (Guarantor)** residence address:No. 427, 5th Cross behind holy saint school , Jayanagar, 7th Block, **Mr. N. G. Karthik S/o N.V. Gopinath (Guarantor)** residence address:No. 427, 5th Cross behind holy saint school , Jayanagar, 7th Block banashankari II stage Bangalore-560070 and **Mrs. Deepa L. W/o N. G. Karthik (Guarantor)** residence address:No. 427, 5th Cross behind holy saint school , Jayanagar, 7th Block banashankari II stage Bangalore-560070on their individual capacity to repay the amount **Rs.93,94,552.18/- (Rupees Ninety Three Lakh Ninety Four Thousand Five Hundred Fifty** Two and Eighteen Paisa only) inclusive of Interest up to **31.12.2024** plus interest/charges from **01-01-2025** mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the Public in general that the undersigned the Authorized officer has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said act read with relevant rules on this day on **15.04.2025.** The Borrowers in particular and the Public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **PUNJAB & SIND BANK, CHICKPET AREA BRANCH**, BANGALORE-560053 for an amount **Rs.90,65,201.18 /- (Rupees Ninety lakhs sixty five thousand two hundred one and paisa eighteen Only)** inclusive of Interest up to **31-03-2025** plus interest/charges from **01-04-2025** thereon till the date of realization.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Industrial flat bearing no. A-22(A) presently Municipal no. 37/3-01, PID no. 59-82-37/3-01, New PID no. 167-W0270-4-57 in the II floor of "A" Block of the building known as Brigade MM Industrial Estate, formed in the portion of land bearing Sy. No. 53/1, Situated at yedipurvillage,Bangalore south Taluk, now in Anjaneya Temple Street Yedipur, Ward no 59, Bangalore measuring super builtup area of 1467 Sq. Ft. in the name of M/s Vishwam Crafts. Bounded by: **East by :**Lift Lobby & Staircase in Brigade MM**, West by:** Unit Bearing no. A-22(B) in brigade MM , **North by :** Open space and **South by :** Open space.

Date : 15.04.2025 **Authorized Officer**
Place :Bangalore **Punjab & Sind Bank**

Karnataka State Marketing Communication and Advertising Limited
(A Govt. of Karnataka Enterprise)
No. 42, MCA House, Millers Road, Bengaluru - 560 001.
No.: KSMCA/F&A/FD/01/2025-26 Date: 19.04.2025

SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Only through e-procurement)

KSMC&A Ltd. invites tenders through e-Procurement portal as per KTPP Act, 1999 from reputed Commercial Banks to quote competitive rate of Interest for investment of Company's surplus funds in Fixed Deposit. Documents can be accessed from e-Procurement website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** Last date for submission of bids: **27.04.2025 up to 2.00 p.m.** Opening of Technical bid: **28.04.2025 at 2.00 p.m.** The management has the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reasons thereon.

Sd/- Managing Director

बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया Bank of India BOI

Jayanagar Branch, No.623, 10th a Main, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011
Phone: 080-22959483/84/86 Fax: 080-22440252
Email: jayanagar.karnataka@bankofindia.co.in

Ref:JNR/SARFAESI/2025-26 /05 **Date:15-04-2025**

NOTICE U/S 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002

To
1. Mr. SRIDHAR M S (Borrower)
10/17, Sri Keshava Krupa, Marutinagar 1st main road, Madiwala, Bangalore-560068
And As
2. Mr. SRIDHAR M S
SRIDHAR MYSORE SESHADRIP
APT BLK 203A Punggolfield No 6 312 And As
3. Mr. SRIDHAR M S
Flat no 6/7, 3rd floor Padma Palace Apartment Municipal no 6/7, Plot Bearing 6, Pid no 76-46-6/7, Bride Street Shanthinagara Bengaluru.
4. Mr. Murali G (Guarantor) S/o Gopalanayaka
H no – 41, Hommarasali Village, Hampapura Hobli, Mysore 571125
Sir/Madam,

At the request made by **Mr. SRIDHAR M S**, the Bank has granted to **Mr. SRIDHAR M S** various credit facilities aggregating to an amount of Rs. 1,94,21,482.00 /-.plus interest for which 4th among you stood as guarantor and executed letter of guarantee dated 21-07-2022 guaranteeing the due repayment of the said amount by the principal debtor and all interest, cost, charges and expenses due and accruing thereon. We give hereunder details of various credit facilities granted by us and the outstanding dues thereunder as on the date of this notice:-

Nature of Facility	Sanctined Limit	Outstanding Dues as on 28.02.2025
Personal Loan	Rs.21,00,000/-	Rs.18,35,945/-+ Int.
Home loan	Rs.1,79,00,000/-	Rs.1,75,85,536.78/-+ Int.

2. The aforesaid credit facilities granted by the Bank are secured by the following assets/securities (particulars of properties/assets charged to Bank) :- Flat no 6/7, 3rd floor Padma palace, apartment , municipal no 6/7, plot bearing 6, pid no 76-46-6/7, bride street shanthinagara Bengaluru.
3. As you have defaulted in repayment of your dues to the Bank under the said credit facilities, we have classified your account as Non-Performing Asset with effect from 10-04-2025 in accordance with the directions/guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India.
4. For the reasons stated above, we hereby give you notice under Section 13(2) of the above noted Act and call upon you to discharge in full your liabilities by paying to the Bank sum of Rs.1,94,21,482.00/- (contractual dues upto the date of notice) with further interest thereon @ 10.20%p.a. compounded with monthly rests, and all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank, till repayment by you within a period of 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which please note that we will entirely at your risks as to costs and consequences exercise the powers vested with the Bank under Section 13 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, against the secured assets mentioned above.
5. While we call upon you to discharge your liability as above by payment of the entire dues to the Bank together with applicable interest, all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank till repayment and redeem the secured assets, within the period mentioned above, please take important note that as per section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act, the right of redemption of secured assets will be available to you only till the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tender from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale of the secured assets.
6. The amounts realised from exercising the powers mentioned above, will firstly be applied in payment of all costs, charges and expenses which are incurred by us and/or any expenses incidental thereto, and secondly in discharge of the Bank's dues as mentioned above with contractual interest from the date of this notice till the date of actual realisation and the residue of the money, if any, after the Bank's entire dues (including under any of your other dues to the Bank whether as borrower or guarantor) are fully recovered, shall be paid to you.
7. If the said dues are not fully recovered from the proceeds realised in the course of exercise of the said powers against the secured assets, we reserve our right to proceed against you and your other assets including by filing legal/recovery actions before Debts Recovery Tribunal/Courts, for recovery of the balance amount due along with all costs etc. incidental thereto from you.
8. Please take note that as per Sub-section (13) of the aforesaid Act, after receipt of this notice, you are restrained from transferring or creating any encumbrances on the aforesaid secured assets whether by way of sale, lease, license, gift, mortgage or otherwise.
9. The undersigned is a duly authorised officer of the Bank to issue this notice and exercise powers under Section 13 of aforesaid Act.
10. Needless to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other right or remedy available to the Bank.

Date : 15-04-2025 **Yours faithfully,**
Place : Bangalore **Authorised Officer, Bank of India**

बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया Bank of India BOI

Jayanagar Branch, No.623, 10th a Main, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011
Phone: 080-22959483/84/86 Fax: 080-22440252
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Ref. JNR/2025-26/sarfeasi/05 **Date:15-04-2025**

NOTICE U/S 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002

To
1. Mr. SRIDHAR M S (Borrower)
10/17, Sri Keshava Krupa, Marutinagar 1st Main Road, Madiwala, Bangalore-560068
And As
2. Mr. SRIDHAR M S
SRIDHAR MYSORE SESHADRIP
APT BLK 203A, Punggolfield NO 6 312, And As
3. Mr. SRIDHAR M S
Flat no 6/7, 3rd Floor Padma Palace Apartment, Municipal no 6/7, Plot bearing 6, Pid no 76-46-6/7, Bride Street Shanthinagara Bengaluru.
4. Mr. Mahesha S S/o Siddegowda (Guarantor)
H no 412, 11B Cross, Near Oxford School, J.P Nagar 1st Phase, Bangalore 560078.
5. Mr. Murali G (Guarantor) S/ o Gopalanayaka
H no – 41, Hommarasali Village, Hampapura Hobli, Mysore 571125
Sir/Madam,

At the request made by **Mr. SRIDHAR M S**, the Bank has granted to **Mr. SRIDHAR M S** various credit facilities aggregating to an amount of 2,02,42,122.00 /- plus interest for which 4th &5th among you stood as guarantor and executed letter of guarantee dated 12-08-2022guaranteeing the due repayment of the said amount by the principal debtor and all interest, cost, charges and expenses due and accruing thereon. We give hereunder details of various credit facilities granted by us and the outstanding dues thereunder as on the date of this notice:-

Nature of Facility	Sanctined Limit	Outstanding Dues as on 28.02.2025
Home Loan	Rs.1,80,00,000/-	Rs. 1,84,79,922/- + int.
Personal loan	Rs. 20,00,000/-	Rs, 17,62,200/-+ int.

2. The aforesaid credit facilities granted by the Bank are secured by the following assets/securities (particulars of properties/assets charged to Bank) :- Flat no 6/6, 3rd floor Padma palace, apartment , Municipal no 6/7, plot bearing 6, pid no 76-46-6/7, bride street shanthinagara Bengaluru.
3. As you have defaulted in repayment of your dues to the Bank under the said credit facilities, we have classified your account as Non-Performing Asset with effect from 10-04-2025 in accordance with the directions/guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India.
4. For the reasons stated above, we hereby give you notice under Section 13(2) of the above noted Act and call upon you to discharge in full your liabilities by paying to the Bank sum of Rs.2,02,42,122.00/- (contractual dues upto the date of notice) with further interest thereon @ 10.20%p.a. compounded with monthly rests, and all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank, till repayment by you within a period of 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which please note that we will entirely at your risks as to costs and consequences exercise the powers vested with the Bank under Section 13 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, against the secured assets mentioned above.
5. While we call upon you to discharge your liability as above by payment of the entire dues to the Bank together with applicable interest, all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank till repayment and redeem the secured assets, within the period mentioned above, please take important note that as per section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act, the right of redemption of secured assets will be available to you only till the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tender from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale of the secured assets.
6. The amounts realised from exercising the powers mentioned above, will firstly be applied in payment of all costs, charges and expenses which are incurred by us and/or any expenses incidental thereto, and secondly in discharge of the Bank's dues as mentioned above with contractual interest from the date of this notice till the date of actual realisation and the residue of the money, if any, after the Bank's entire dues (including under any of your other dues to the Bank whether as borrower or guarantor) are fully recovered, shall be paid to you.
7. If the said dues are not fully recovered from the proceeds realised in the course of exercise of the said powers against the secured assets, we reserve our right to proceed against you and your other assets including by filing legal/recovery actions before Debts Recovery Tribunal/Courts, for recovery of the balance amount due along with all costs etc. incidental thereto from you.
8. Please take note that as per Sub-section (13) of the aforesaid Act, after receipt of this notice, you are restrained from transferring or creating any encumbrances on the aforesaid secured assets whether by way of sale, lease, license, gift, mortgage or otherwise.
9. The undersigned is a duly authorised officer of the Bank to issue this notice and exercise powers under Section 13 of aforesaid Act.
10. Needless to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other right or remedy available to the Bank.

Date : 15-04-2025 **Yours faithfully,**
Place : Bangalore **Authorised Officer, Bank of India**

Ancelotti to discuss Real future at 'end of season'

Carlo Ancelotti will discuss his future with Real Madrid at the end of the season, the coach said Saturday, following the Champions League holders' elimination by Arsenal. "At the end of the season we will speak about (my future) with the club," Ancelotti told a news conference, batting away various questions on a similar theme. Ancelotti's contract is due to end in 2026.

LIFE GETS A DECENT LIFT

Sport can change the world. SRH's Zeeshan Ansari can vouch for it. **Firoz Mirza** on how the Ansaris used cricket to build better tomorrow

SPORT can change life for the better. Sunrisers Hyderabad's Zeeshan Ansari can vouch for it. Born to a family in Lucknow with limited means, the leg-break googly bowler solely lifted the family comprising 19 members from poverty trap to give them a punching chance at life. It all started with Zeeshan playing on the streets with other kids at Chaudhary Tola, Aliganj more than a decade ago. Zeeshan's father, Mohammed Naeem, along with his brothers — Mohammed Gayas and Mohammed Chand — had minimal exposure to education. Like their father Noor Mohammed, they became tailors. "We all started accompanying our father to our shop named 'New Noor Mohammed Ladies Tailor' shop at IT Chauraha from a very young age," father Naeem told this daily. All three brothers have been living together since the beginning and the family now has 12 children, three couples and their grandmother. The shop was frequented by athletes as they used to gather at the place in their leisure time. "I used to see them and think they have a good life. They have a government job which has given them social security so I thought why can't my children become athletes. Zeeshan was playing on the streets then, so I requested Kanhaiya Lal, a national level footballer, a regular visitor to our shop, to find a coach for my son. He helped us in getting Zeeshan admitted to his first academy," added the father.

Zeeshan Ansari

Kanhaiya, who works with the Indian Postal Department and is now secretary of the Lucknow Football Association, remembered the day when he took then 12-year-old Zeeshan to coach Abhay Singh. "I took him to coach Abhay Singh who was coaching at Chowk Stadium. The academy was around 8 km from his home and Zeeshan used to board a tempo traveller to reach the place. He trained there for almost one-and-a-half-years but the distance was too much for him to commute everyday. I talked to coach Ajay Verma, who was at the Lucknow Development Authority Cricket Coaching Centre. That centre was closer to Zeeshan's home," said Kanhaiya.

Zeeshan first trained with Verma and then coach Gopal Singh came in and played a big role in him playing school level cricket. "He used to fox batters with his leg spin and coach Singh knew he could do better in school cricket competitions. So he started sending him for such competitions where he succeeded. It all started from there," said the father.

Naeem's younger brother, Gayas, was the one who used to pick and drop Zeeshan at the academy on some occasions. "He used to come to shop and some days I used to drop him to the academy. I used to watch him play at times. There I was told that he is a good bowler. We saw him troubling batters on the street but when he started outclassing batters at the academy, we got convinced that he can play for Uttar Pradesh. By then Mantasha Ansari, daughter of my elder brother, Mohammed Chand, had started playing basketball and even got selected in the national camp. This also motivated Zeeshan to do better. We also thought if Zeeshan can play for the state and manage to land a government job, then he can support us financially. So, we all started contributing towards his cricketing journey in whatever way we could," said Gayas, who has three children, one daughter and two sons. The structure that housed the big family was in a dilapidated state and needed urgent repair but with limited resources, they were forced to make do with it. Meanwhile, Zeeshan was improving by leaps and bounds and soon was picked up in the Indian squad for the 2016 Under-19 World Cup. He played the tournament alongside the likes of Ishan Kishan, Rishabh Pant and Sarfaraz Khan. Featuring in the event also meant he got financial reward, which he used in constructing his house.

(Top left) Zeeshan Ansari built a new house for his family in Lucknow; The cricketer also refurbished the family's tailor shop; (bottom) The lane where he used to play | EXPRESS

"The money he got for playing in the U-19 World Cup was used in constructing the house as the old one was in a ruin. The house where we are living at the moment was constructed by Zeeshan," the proud said.

The stint with U-19 team also opened the door for Zeeshan to make entry into the senior state side as he made his first class debut for Uttar Pradesh in 2017. He has played five first class matches so far, picking up 17 wickets . He made his T20 debut against Uttarakhand in Delhi in 2019. However, a few indifferent performances coupled with the selectors preferring other players meant Zeeshan last featured for UP in their Ranji Trophy match against Tamil Nadu at Kanpur in January 2020.

UP T20 League to the rescue

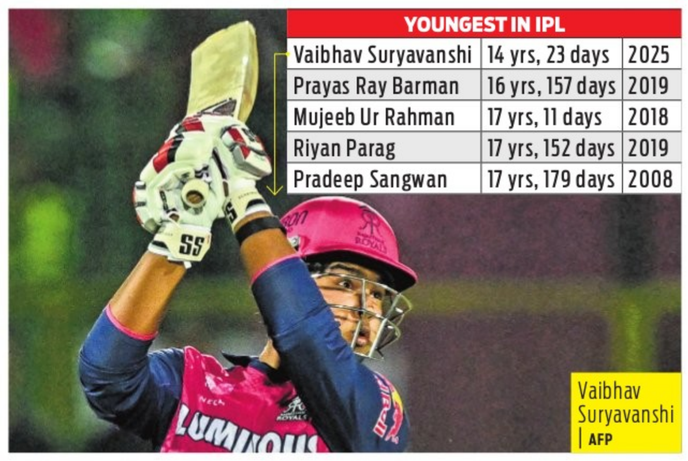
However, the inaugural UP T20 League brought him back into contention as he topped the wicket charts claiming 24 scalps from 12 games at an economy rate of 7.60. He returned with impressive figures of 4-0-20-1 in the final to help his team, Meerut Mavericks, lift the crown. Captain Rinku Singh used to hand him the ball up front and at the death and Zeeshan never disappointed him as he used to trick batters with his googlies. The superlative show at the state league brought him on IPL scouts radar and SRH picked him up for the 2025 season by picking him up for ₹40lakh. The family, however, was not sure whether he would be bought by any IPL franchises. "Twice he didn't get a buyer. Somewhere we had a belief that he would be bought as he did well in the UP T20 League but doubts were there as he was not picked in the past. But we were ecstatic once he was bought by Sunrisers Hyderabad," said uncle Gayas. The family members were on cloud nine when Zeeshan made his IPL debut.

Financial security

Having gone through the hardships due to financial constraints, Zeeshan knows how important it is to have a fall back option. He always wanted to give his family a constant source of income. In his quest to provide that option to the family despite his on field struggles, he had got their shop repaired when he refurbished their house. "He rebuilt the shop. We have now rented it out. We have taken another shop in the basement on rent. The rent which we get is enough for the day-to-day expenses of the family," said Gayas.

Speaking on the contractual sum Zeeshan got in the IPL, both father and uncle said: "He wants to marry off his sisters from the money. He is the one who is looking after all of us and he is quite calculated in that sense. He doesn't want to waste the amount."

Zeeshan's younger brother, Farhan, used to be an athlete but has now started helping his father and uncle in their tailoring profession. The youngest brother, Ghufran, is pursuing cricket and a leg break bowler like Zeeshan.



YOUNGEST IN IPL		
Vaibhav Suryavanshi	14 yrs, 23 days	2025
Prayas Ray Barman	16 yrs, 157 days	2019
Mujeeb Ur Rahman	17 yrs, 11 days	2018
Riyan Parag	17 yrs, 152 days	2019
Pradeep Sangwan	17 yrs, 179 days	2008

Vaibhav Suryavanshi | AFP

14-year-old Vaibhav youngest player to take part in IPL

AGENCIES @ Jaipur

INDIAN batter Vaibhav Suryavanshi on Saturday made history as the youngest ever IPL player at 14 years old after Rajasthan Royals brought him in as their impact substitute against Lucknow Super Giants.

Suryavanshi, a left-hand batter from Bihar, earned a deal in the lucrative T20 tournament after Rajasthan bought him for $130,500 in the November auction when he was still aged just 13. At 14 years and 23 days, Suryavanshi easily beat the previous record for the IPL's youngest debutant held by Prayas Ray Barman, who was 16 years and 157 days old when he played for Royal Challengers Bengaluru in 2019.

Suryavanshi was added as an impact player for the match at Rajasthan's home in Jaipur after skipper Sanju Samson was ruled out due to injury.

The teenager then came out to open the innings alongside Yashasvi Jaiswal as Rajasthan sought to chase down 181, replacing medium-pace bowler Sandeep Sharma. And he made quite an impression on the biggest stage, scoring 34 off 20 balls, sharing a partnership of 85 with Jaiswal. His innings included 3 sixes and 2 fours.

Nitish Rana, who came in after teenager's dismissal, didn't last long but Jaiswal and standin skipper Riyan Parag steadied the ship to get Rajasthan closer to the total.

However, Avesh Khan bowled a brilliant last over to help Lucknow snatch an unlikely win. Avesh finished with figures of 3 for 37 in his quota of four overs. Rajasthan have now lost four consecutive games.

Brief scores: LSG 180/5 in 20 ovs (Markram 66, Badoni 50; Hasaranga 2/31) **bt** RR 178/5 in 20 ovs (Jaiswal 74, Parag 39, Vaibhav 34; Avesh 3/37).

Gujarat Titans batters ace chase after Prasidh's star act with ball

AGENCIES @ Ahmedabad

A thrill-a-minute unbeaten 97 from Jos Buttler helped Gujarat Titans to a seven-wicket win over Delhi Capitals on Saturday. Delhi, seeking a sixth win in seven games, relied on small but handy contributions from a lot of their batters to reach 203/8 in their 20 overs.

The hosts, who have made a lot of their runs thanks to their top four, repeated that template as they hit the winning runs with four balls remaining. They lost Shubman Gill rather early, a needless run out claiming the captain. But Buttler and Sai Sudharsan before the former and Sherfane Rutherford stitched two big partnerships to take them to within a couple of hits away. If the hosts' batters got them home, Prasidh Krishna played a big role in restricting the total. The pacer picked up as many as four wickets to steal the show.

Brief scores: DC 203/8 in 20 ovs (Axar 39, Ashutosh 37; Prasidh 4/41) **lost to** GT 204/3 IN 19.2 ovs (Buttler 97 n.o, Rutherford 43).

Giants collide at Wankhede; RCB look to bounce back

In a battle royale between two of the IPL's winningest teams, Mumbai and Chennai, one team hopes to keep winning. In the other, Bengaluru put their winning record away from home on the line against Punjab. A look at Sunday's IPL fixtures...

CAN MUMBAI GET ON A ROLL

After a typically indifferent start to the season, Mumbai have won two in a row even if some old problems persist. Can they make it three in a row against a Chennai team who found some winning momentum against Lucknow. The key for the visitors will be runs up front coupled with spinners getting on a roll.

KHALEEL VS RICKELTON

Khaleel Ahmad has been one of the best powerplay operators in this year's edition. His battle against fellow southpaw, Ryan Rickelton, could set the tone for how the innings progresses in the first phase of the Mumbai innings.

KOHLI'S AWAY FORM

It might be a quirk but it's undeniable that Kohli's away form has contributed to the franchise winning all four of their games on the road. 31 (Chennai), 59 n.o (Kolkata), 67 (Mumbai) and 62 n.o (Jaipur) says its own story. If Bengaluru are to put behind their below par effort against the same opposition on Friday, their opener has to be on song in Mullanpur.

PBKS vs RCB @ Mullanpur | 3:30 PM
MI vs CSK @ Mumbai | 7:30 PM

LIVE ON STAR SPORTS & JIOHOTSTAR

CSK hope for encore against back-in-form MI

FIROZ MIRZA @ Mumbai

ON an unusually sluggish Wankhede wicket, the hosts defeated Sunrisers Hyderabad comprehensively to register their second straight win on Thursday. Similarly, Chennai Super Kings snapped their five-match losing streak as they beat Lucknow Super Giants at their home in Lucknow a few days ago to take some baby steps towards resurrecting their campaign.

Both teams will be up against each other in Mumbai on Sunday in what will be a contest between two five-time champions. Both sides are languishing near the foot of the table but Hardik Pandya and Co are slightly better placed at the moment with three wins from seven matches. The MS Dhoni-led side is currently the last and need to win the next match to brighten their chances of advancing. Their head coach Stephen Fleming admitted the team is in a precarious position and will not hesitate in giving chances to youngsters ahead of the experienced campaigners if the next couple of matches don't go their way. "It's a delicate phase isn't it? We are still in the competition but we are hanging on by the thread, trying to find a balance between giving the guys an extended run to show some form and also, wanting to get results," Fleming told the media on the eve of the match.

"Unfortunately, the position we find ourselves in, we have run out of time to be too patient. On the other hand, we don't want to keep chopping and changing, trying to find the magic formula, quite possibly our tournament has been that far(...)," he said. Mumbai opener Ayush Mhatre recently joined CSK as a replacement for the injured Ruturaj Gaikwad. Mhatre has played nine first class and seven List A games for Mumbai so far scoring heavily. Besides him, the Chennai-based franchise has youngsters like Ramakrishna Ghosh and Shaik Rasheed.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

This edition has the best Chepauk wicket: Raina

CHANDRA PRABHU @ Chennai

EARLIER in the ongoing season of the Indian Premier League (IPL), Chennai Super Kings (CSK) coach Stephen Fleming quibbled about the surfaces in use at the MA Chidambaram Stadium in Chennai. Generally considered friendly for spin, batters had found some joy and spinners could be lined up. Across the line shots could be attempted with minimal risk. Suresh Raina, who knows a thing or two about the strips at the stadium, has confirmed the general belief that they have become friendly for batting.

"I think it was the toughest wicket when we used to play in 2008. The ball was bouncing. There was a lot of turn and this is the best wicket I have seen in the entirety of the IPL," the former CSK batter and IPL expert said in a JioHotstar pressroom on Saturday. "We've seen other teams coming and scoring 200 runs. They're chasing the same, too. When it comes to the Chennai Super Kings, I think they are losing too many wickets upfront."

After losing three games on the trot at Chepauk, Dhoni would be hoping to win the other three games. Sunrisers Hyderabad (April 25), Punjab Kings (April 30) and the Rajasthan Royals (May 12) will be visiting the venue in the days to come.

CSK's subdued show with the bat has been the primary reason behind their struggles, especially at Chepauk. The highest they have scored is 158, one during their win over Mumbai Indians and the defeat against Delhi Capitals. Their batting miseries peaked when they put up a paltry total of 103 against holders Kolkata Knight Riders. Raina hoped that the problems with batting — losing wickets in powerplay and playing dots in the middle overs — would be reformed soon. "That (losing wickets in PP) tends to create a lot of pressure for the middle overs. If you lose three-four wickets, then you end up scoring around 160 or 170. That has to be rectified first."

Full story: newindianexpress.com

EXPRESS READ

AIFF panel rules in favour of Churchill

CHENNAI: Churchill Brothers were belatedly crowned I-League champions and handed promotion to the Indian Super League after the All India Football Federation's Appeals Committee ruled against second-placed Inter Kashi on Saturday. Churchill Brothers had finished provisionally on top of I-League (with 40 points), after the final round but their wait depended on the verdict of the AIFF's appeal panel which was to decide a case involving second-placed Inter Kashi (39 points). Inter Kashi is set to take this issue to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS). The controversy was related to Inter Kashi's match against Namdhari SC on Jan 13, when the latter won 2-0. The AIFF disciplinary panel ruled that Namdhari fielded ineligible player.

Nayar returns to KKR support staff team

KOLKATA: Abhishek Nayar, who was recently removed as India's assistant coach, has joined Kolkata Knight Riders' support staff team, the IPL side announced on Saturday but his exact role and position has not been specified. "Welcome back home, Abhishek Nayar," KKR posted on X.

Rune vs Alcaraz in Barcelona Open final

BARCELONA: Holger Rune crushed Karen Khachanov 6-3, 6-2 on Saturday to reach the Barcelona Open final, where he will face Carlos Alcaraz. World No 13 Rune, who dispatched defending champ Casper Ruud on Friday, outclassed his opponent in the first set without conceding a break point.

Barca make stunning comeback to beat Celta

AGENCIES @ Barcelona

Barcelona pulled off a stunning comeback from two goals down to beat Celta Vigo 4-3 on Saturday and move seven points clear of Real Madrid in the La Liga title race.

The Catalans trailed 3-1 inside the final half-hour after a Borja Iglesias hat-trick for the visitors but Dani Olmo scored and then Raphinha struck twice, including a 98th minute penalty, to snatch three essential points for the leaders. Real Madrid, second, host Athletic Bilbao on Sunday.

Vital win for Man City

LIVERPOOL: Manchester City's chances of Champions League football next season were given a huge boost as late goals from Nico O'Reilly and Mateo Kovacic beat Everton 2-0 on Saturday to move the champions up to fourth in the Premier League. O'Reilly turned home Matheus Nunes' inviting cross in the 84th minute before Kovacic blasted in from the edge of the box to turn an uninspired performance from Pep Guardiola's men into a priceless three points. Just Everton's third defeat in 15 league games since David Moyes returned for a second spell as manager means they have to wait to mathematically guarantee survival.

Results: Brentford **4-2** Brighton; West Ham **1-1** Southampton; Palace **0-0** Bouremouth; Everton **0-2** Man City.

Women race walkers miss 1km as Baboo, Servin win

AGENCIES @ Chandigarh

IN an embarrassing organisational 'goof up' , the participants at the women's 35km race walk crossed the finish line without completing the full course while national record holder Ram Baboo clinched the men's 35km gold during the Indian Open Race Walking Competition here on Saturday.

The result of the women's competition was held up for hours with the organisers claiming that it was due to technical reasons. Later, when the result sheet was issued, it came to light that timings of the participants were recorded for 34km and not 35km. "There could be misunderstanding or lack of coordination among officials while counting the laps," said an official present at the event. The 'goof up' would rob the race walkers of world ranking points

Meanwhile, Baboo, who had won 35km race walk mixed team bronze medal at Asian Games along with Manju Rani, clocked 2:32::53.5s to win the race, below his NR of 2:29.56. TN's Servin Sebastian won men's 20km with a time of 1:21:46.47 and qualify for Asian Athletics Championship.

Ath nat'l coach provisionally banned

INDRANEEL DAS @ Chennai

IN a dramatic development, the chief national coach of athletics has been provisionally suspended by the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA). There have been very few cases when coaches have been suspended but when it comes to a chief national coach, this could be the first instance when NADA has provisionally suspended one. According to NADA's updated provisionally suspended athletes' list, Nagapuri Ramesh has been suspended for alleged 'complicity'.

Ramesh, who was conferred with the Dronacharya Award, has been the chief national athletics coach of the junior team for a while and it is understood that he was part of the camp in Hyderabad and later in Bengaluru as well. But he did not travel to the junior Asian Championships in Saudi Arabia. It needs to be seen what happens next when the Anti-Doping Disciplinary Panel hears Ramesh's case.

Of late, the NADA has been quite active while testing top athletes. Since junior players are involved the NADA finger would always point towards the coach. What could turn into a big embarrassment for the Athletics Federation of India is one more coach has been provisionally suspended. According to the NADA List of Provisionally Suspended Athletes (as on 08.04.2025), Rakesh has been suspended for a more serious offence: "Administration of Prohibited Substance".

This is also the first time that three coaches have been provisionally suspended at the same time. The last coach is Karamveer Singh, who has been listed as judo/athletics coach.

Moreover, at least seven athletes have been suspended for evasion. One among them is sprinter Nalubothu Shanmuga Srinivas, who has a 200m junior national record in his name. There has been a case of tampering with the sample by a para-athlete as well.

QUANTIFYING THE STATE OF INDIA'S JUSTICE SYSTEM

A reality check by the India Justice Report 2025, which ranks states on the capacity of their police, judiciary, prisons and legal aid, found structural inefficiencies and chronic under-resourcing of institutions. A look at where they stand

SHEKHAR SINGH & PRABHAT SHUKLA @ New Delhi

WITH pendency of cases spiraling in a country of 1.4 billion people, justice delayed is justice denied. What ails the justice delivery mechanism of the world's largest democracy? The fourth edition of India Justice Report 2025, which ranks states on the capacity of police, judiciary, prisons and legal aid, portrays a worrying picture — the system continues to falter under the weight of systemic gaps, alarming shortfalls of people and deep-rooted inequalities. We have a police force that remains critically understaffed, a judiciary struggling to reflect the diversity it serves and a prison system buckling under the pressure of overcrowding and neglect.

With 23% vacancies in police ranks and a 50% shortfall in forensic staff, it's too tall an order to expect police to function effectively and uphold the rule of law. Despite a 2009 directive to ensure 33% reservation for women in police forces, no state or Union Territory has met the criteria. The reality is women comprise just 8% of senior officers in the force.

The judiciary fares no better. The judge-to-population ratio remains stagnant at 15 judges per 10 lakh people, far from the Law Commission's recommendation of 50. Although women constitute 38% of the lower judiciary, they are grossly underrepresented in high courts at just 14%. And with only one state, Karnataka, meeting its quota for SC, ST, and OBC representation, one must ask: whose justice is being delivered? The crisis continues behind bars as well. Prison staff vacancies have soared to 30%, while overcrowding stands at 131%, fuelled by a 76% rise in the number of undertrials. Compounding this is a 38% drop in para legal volunteers, diminishing access to legal aid for those who need it most.

As per IJR, the overall top position in terms of justice delivery has been retained by Karnataka, followed by Andhra Pradesh, climbing from fifth in 2022 to second, Telangana (2022 ranking: 3rd), and Kerala (2022 ranking: 6th). Among the seven small states (with populations less than one crore each), Sikkim (2022: 1st) ranked first, followed by Himachal Pradesh (2022: 6th) and Arunachal Pradesh (2022: 2nd). Here's a look at how the states have fared.

Tamil Nadu

Ranked 5th overall among large states (down from 2nd in 2022), Tamil Nadu topped the prisons category for maintaining low undertrial share (61.5%), 77% occupancy, and improved staff-to-inmate ratio. The state is among the very few to meet the benchmark of six inmates per prison staff.

However, TN's police ranking dropped to 13th due to under-utilisation of modernisation funds, no training budget, and a threefold increase in officer vacancies. Only 68% of police stations had CCTV coverage, below the national average of 83%, though the state led in the share of female police officers (20%).

In judiciary, while the state improved its per capita spend and reduced high court judge vacancies (from 28% to 13%), a rise in subordinate court judge and staff vacancies led to a slip from the 1st to 3rd position.

For TN, the IJR reiterated both immediate and foundational corrections - urgent filling of vacancies and increased representation. To effect irreversible change, it recommended that justice delivery be designated as an "essential service".

Karnataka

Karnataka has emerged as the strongest performer across the board. It ranks in the top five in all four pillars of justice — police, judiciary, prisons, and legal aid. The state has the lowest officer-level police vacancies at just 1.2%, and constable-level vacancies were halved to 6% in 2023. Karnataka is the only state to fulfil SC, ST, and OBC quotas in both officer and constabulary positions. Almost all police stations have functional women help desks, indicating a gender-sensitive approach, although women make up only 9% of the police force. Karnataka also leads in the utilisation of police modernisation funds, spending 98.5% of its allocation.

In the judiciary, the state has fully met caste-based reservation requirements in the district judiciary and reduced judge vacancies at this level to 16%. Thirty-seven per cent of district court judges are women, while high court staff vacancies have dropped significantly. Karnataka's prison system is ranked second nationally, with the highest representation of women in staff (33%) and high levels of video-conferencing facilities in jails. However, it still struggles with a 74% vacancy in medical officer posts. The state also tops the legal aid rankings, with the highest ratio of women panel lawyers and a sharp increase in paralegal volunteers. Still, its rural outreach has weakened due to a decline in legal clinics.

Kerala

Kerala ranks 4th in the IJR overall rankings, up from 6th in 2022, on the back of its top ranking in judiciary and strong prison management. The state's high court has the lowest judge vacancy rate in the country at 4%, and nearly half of its district court judges are women. However, STs remain underrepresented in the judiciary, with an 84% vacancy against a 2% reservation mandate. In the police force, Kerala lags at 15th due to low diversity — only 3% of officers are women — despite low overall vacancy rates and near-full compliance with caste quotas. Prisons are well-managed with only 6% overcrowding and low staff shortages, though gaps remain in medical staffing. Legal aid remains a weak link, with declining outreach: the number of clinics dropped from 101 to 66 and only 24% of Lok Adalat cases were disposed of.

Andhra Pradesh and Telangana

Andhra Pradesh and Telangana have emerged as top performers in the India Justice Report 2025, securing the 2nd and 3rd positions, respectively, among 18 large and mid-sized states. Both states demonstrated strong institutional commitment, robust infrastructure, and inclusive representation across the justice system. However, regional disparities in staffing and service delivery continue to hinder consistent access to justice.

Andhra Pradesh has made the most significant leap this year, rising from 5th in 2022 to 2nd in 2025. The state ranks 2nd in both the judiciary and police, while maintaining its 4th position in legal aid. Although the prison system lags at 10th, the state has made notable strides in representation and infrastructure. It is among the few to have fulfilled SC, ST, and OBC quotas in the district judiciary, and 42% of its district judges are women — well above the national average. However, its high court faces a 28% vacancy, and women constitute only 12% of its judges. In Andhra, all police stations are equipped with women's help desks and CCTV cameras. Women account for 17% of the police force, and full caste representation has been achieved across ranks. But, its forensic labs face steep staff shortages with 56% of scientific and 22% of administrative posts vacant.

Telangana has retained its 3rd place overall and ranks among the top five states across judiciary, police and prisons. It leads the country in gender inclusion in the judiciary — 55% of its district court judges are women, the highest among large states. SC, ST, and OBC quotas in the district judiciary are fully met. The high court, however, shares Andhra Pradesh's challenge of a 28% vacancy rate, and women account for just 12% of the police force. Around 85% of police stations are equipped with women's help desks and CCTVs. Telangana's prisons, ranked 6th, are equipped with video-conferencing in 86% of jails, easing case processing and transport burdens. Still, correctional staff vacancies remain high at 43%, and over half of medical posts are unfilled.

Both states have performed well in legal aid too — Telangana ranks 2nd and Andhra Pradesh 4th. Telangana has the highest share of women panel lawyers and has significantly expanded its pool of paralegal volunteers. Andhra Pradesh has a large number of legal aid clinics, but their reach remains uneven. Despite strong frameworks, both states face challenges in fund utilisation and case disposal rates in Lok Adalats.

Maharashtra

Maharashtra, now 10th overall (up from 12th in 2022), has improved its police ranking to 5th. The state hiked per capita police spending from ₹1,234 to ₹1,588 and increased CCTV coverage in police stations from 57% to 91%. Yet, gaps persist. Women help desks fell from 89% to 78%, and OBC officer vacancies rose steeply from 2% to 35%. The judiciary, despite low district judge vacancies (11%), has a case clearance rate of 87%, with 48% of cases pending for over three years.

In legal aid, Maharashtra spends just ₹3.8 per capita, faring better only than Bihar and West Bengal. The number of rural legal aid clinics is dwindling. Prison overcrowding remains acute at 161%, with 80% of inmates being undertrials. Only 59 legal clinics serve 64 jails, highlighting legal aid shortfall behind bars.

Punjab

Punjab moved from 10th to 9th among large states. Its police ranking rose to 7th, led by India's highest per capita police spend (₹2,604) and the best population-to-police ratio, 1:504 people. All police stations now have women's help desks. Punjab also climbed in legal aid, from 9th to 2nd, with increased female representation among PLVs (39%), panel lawyers (24%), and District Legal Services Authorities (DLSA) secretaries (64%). It leads in NALSA fund utilisation.

On the flip side, HC judge vacancies doubled from 22% to 40%, and staff vacancies rose to 35%. A 67% case backlog over three years clogs the Punjab and Haryana High Court. Shortfall in court halls also grew from 15% to 24%. Punjab's prison occupancy rose to 116%, with 23% of jails exceeding 150% capacity. Despite some reduction in medical and cadre staff vacancies, correctional staff positions remain vacant. At ₹17,821 per inmate annually, the state is second only to Maharashtra in low prison spending.

Uttar Pradesh and MP

Uttar Pradesh moved from 18th to 17th overall among large states. Its judiciary remains overwhelmed, with the Allahabad High Court having over 11 lakh pending cases, as of January 2025, 71% older than three years. With over half the judicial posts vacant, the clearance rate is just 78%.

In district courts, 53% of cases remain pending beyond three years. The police force showed marginal improvements: constabulary and officer vacancies dropped to 28% and 42%, respectively. But forensic vacancies (50%) and poor representation of SC/ST officers—SC officer vacancies at 60%, ST at 88%—remain alarming. Prisons remain overcrowded, with staff vacancies at 28%, medical staff at 54%, and many jails housing over 250% of their sanctioned capacity. Legal aid remains severely underprovided, with just 120 clinics for 97,000 villages, one for every 815 villages. Though UP allocated 93% of its legal aid budget, it utilised just 60%, and NALSA fund utilisation dropped to 19%.

Madhya Pradesh ranks 7th, improving in prisons, legal aid, and judiciary. It has the lowest undertrial population (55%) and a 91.6% disposal rate in Lok Adalats. While district courts show improvement, the High Court has a 38% judge vacancy. Police and prison staff diversity remain poor, and overcrowding persists. Despite gains, structural challenges continue to hinder equitable justice delivery.

Haryana and Gujarat

Haryana has made modest progress, rising to 12th overall. It ranks 3rd in legal aid and has the highest per capita spend on it, but infrastructure such as legal aid clinics has vanished. Police services are weakened by the second-highest constable vacancy rate and poor quota compliance. The judiciary shows good gender representation, particularly in the High Court, but struggles with vacancies and inadequate infrastructure. In prisons, severe understaffing and overcrowding persist, with no correctional staff appointed despite sanctioned posts.

Gujarat's justice system has slipped significantly, falling from 4th to 11th in the overall ranking. It has the highest judge vacancy in High Courts (38%) and nearly half of sanctioned staff posts are unfilled. Police rankings declined slightly, and while caste quotas for SCs are met, there are major gaps in ST and OBC representation. Women remain underrepresented, and there are notable shortages in forensic staffing. The prison system is overstretched with overcrowding and rising vacancies. Legal aid suffers from low utilisation despite high funding, with only one clinic for every 93 villages.

Chhattisgarh and Bihar

Chhattisgarh has climbed from 9th to 6th place, with strong gains in police and legal aid but critical gaps remain in judicial staffing and overcrowding in prisons. The state ranks 4th in the police pillar, with 100% police stations equipped with women's help desks. While OBC quotas are met, women make up only 8% of the police force, and 28% of constable posts remain vacant. The judiciary ranks 8th, with growing delays and an increase in judge vacancies, especially in the lower judiciary. Chhattisgarh's prison system is under severe strain, with one-third of jails overcrowded and severe staffing shortages across officer, medical, and correctional staff. In legal aid, the state has improved its rank to 7th but has only one legal aid clinic for nearly 20,000 villages, pointing to severe rural access issues.

Bihar, ranked 13th overall, shows improvement in police services but continues to face issues in the judiciary and prisons. The police pillar helped Bihar rise to 10th position, with the state doubling its per capita spend on police training and leading the country in women's representation (23.7%) in the police force. However, the utilisation of training budgets has declined sharply, and vacancies remain a concern. In judiciary, Bihar ranks 15th, with a 36% vacancy in High Court judges and the highest share of district cases pending for over three years. The state has the lowest per capita spend on judiciary. In prisons, unfilled vacancies have pushed the state to 12th place, though it maintains video conferencing facilities in all jails. Legal aid delivery is weak, ranking 12th, and despite a few improvements in clinics, both the SLSA and Permanent Lok Adalats reported no cases for 2023–24.

Among the seven small states (under one crore population), Himachal Pradesh surged to 2nd overall, ranking 2nd in prisons and 4th in the judiciary. In contrast, Meghalaya dropped to 5th, despite securing 3rd in the judiciary.

Smaller states consistently outspent the national average across the justice sector. In 2022-23, all seven states exceeded the average judiciary spend (₹182). Sikkim, already the top spender in 2017-18, nearly doubled its per capita judiciary expenditure to ₹966. Even Meghalaya (₹246) crossed the national mark.

In policing, Arunachal Pradesh had the highest per capita spend at ₹8,615, followed by other small states. Himachal Pradesh, the lowest spender among them at ₹2,168, still outdid most large states.

On legal aid, five small states far exceeded the national average (₹6 per capita): Sikkim (₹109), Tripura (₹59), Mizoram (₹36), Goa (₹32) and Himachal (₹20). However, Meghalaya allocated just 52% of its sanctioned legal aid budget, the lowest among them.

Women representation

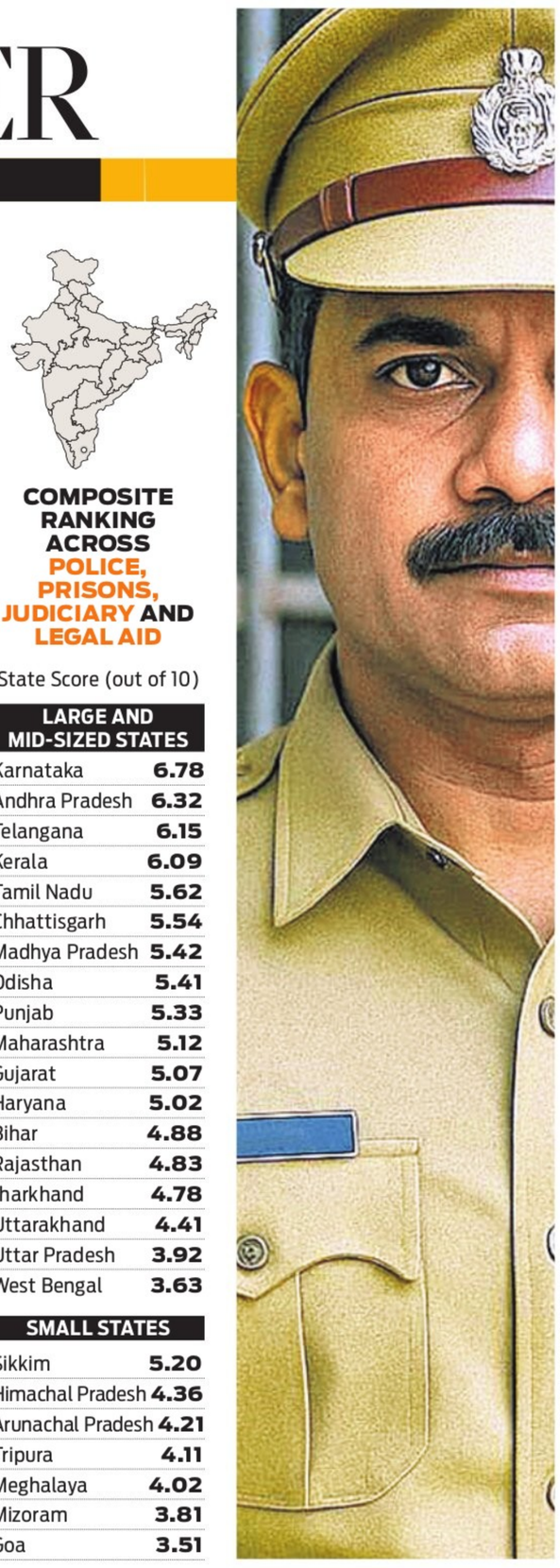
Sikkim and Telangana are the only two states nationwide to meet the 33% women representation in high courts. Conversely, Meghalaya and Tripura have had no women high court judges since 2018. On the positive side, the district judiciaries in Goa (70%), Meghalaya (61%), and Mizoram (51%) show strong female participation.

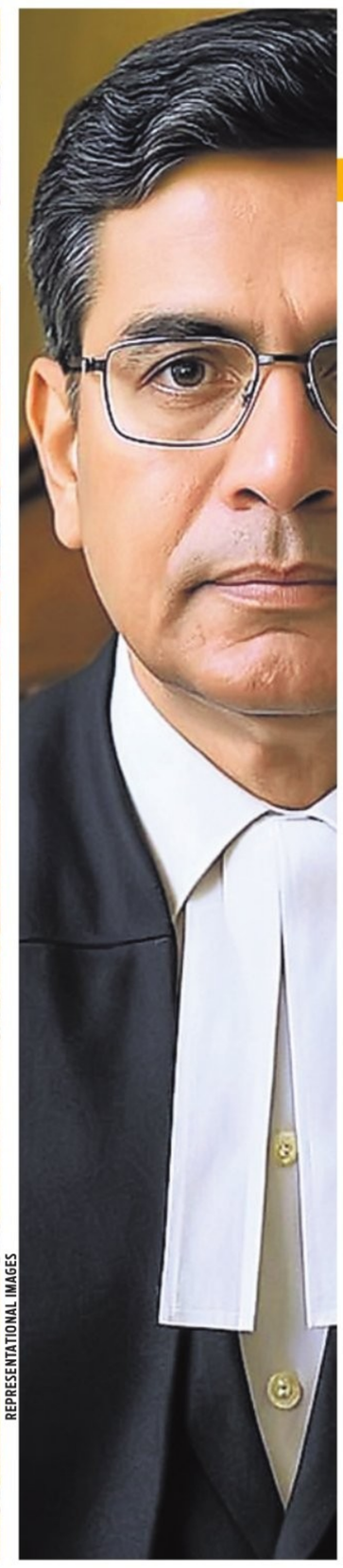
In police forces, Himachal Pradesh leads with 15% women officers, followed by Arunachal Pradesh and Goa at 11% each. Tripura lags at 6%.

Police staffing varies drastically. Sikkim reports a surplus, while Himachal Pradesh has the lowest vacancy (4.2%) among small states. Tripura (45%) and Arunachal Pradesh (37%) face the highest officer-level vacancies. High courts in Sikkim, Meghalaya and Tripura reported zero judge vacancies, but district courts still suffer. Meghalaya, Mizoram as well as Sikkim reported over one-third of judicial posts remaining vacant.

Though their prison populations are low, ranging from 260 in Sikkim to 2,528 in Himachal Pradesh, overcrowding and staff shortages persist. Except for Tripura, all reported overcrowded jails, with Meghalaya's jails being the most strained.

The overall focus of the report is on one singular challenge: chronic under-resourcing of justice institutions. Whether it is the judiciary struggling under the burden of five crore pending cases, police departments operating with large vacancies, or prisons designed more for containment than rehabilitation, the reality is bleak. Budget allocations have increased over the years, yet their utilisation remains suboptimal. Without addressing structural inefficiencies, increased spending alone cannot translate into better outcomes.





REPRESENTATIONAL IMAGES

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COMPOSITE RANKING ACROSS POLICE, PRISONS, JUDICIARY AND LEGAL AID

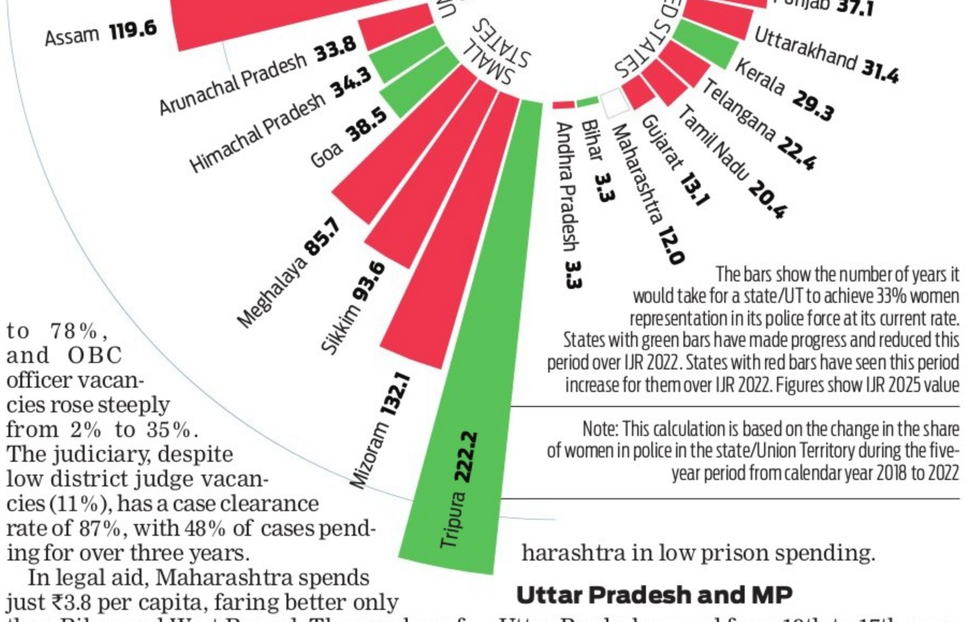
State Score (out of 10)

LARGE AND MID-SIZED STATES	
Karnataka	6.78
Andhra Pradesh	6.32
Telangana	6.15
Kerala	6.09
Tamil Nadu	5.62
Chhattisgarh	5.54
Madhya Pradesh	5.42
Odisha	5.41
Punjab	5.33
Maharashtra	5.12
Gujarat	5.07
Haryana	5.02
Bihar	4.88
Rajasthan	4.83
Jharkhand	4.78
Uttarakhand	4.41
Uttar Pradesh	3.92
West Bengal	3.63

SMALL STATES	
Sikkim	5.20
Himachal Pradesh	4.36
Arunachal Pradesh	4.21
Tripura	4.11
Meghalaya	4.02
Mizoram	3.81
Goa	3.51

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE FOR WOMEN'S SHARE IN POLICE TO HIT 33%?

Compared to IJR 2022, 22 states/UTs marginally improved representation of women in their police force in IJR 2025. Current rates remaining constant, Andhra Pradesh and Bihar would see 33% women in roughly three years. But Jharkhand, Tripura and Andaman and Nicobar Islands several generations to meet this quota



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The bars show the number of years it would take for a state/UT to achieve 33% women representation in its police force at its current rate. States with green bars have made progress and reduced this period over IJR 2022. States with red bars have seen this period increase for them over IJR 2022. Figures show IJR 2025 value

Note: This calculation is based on the change in the share of women in police in the state/Union Territory during the five-year period from calendar year 2018 to 2022